

POST BOARD ACTION AGENDA

Meeting of the Cook County Board of Commissioners

County Board Room, County Building

Tuesday, September 3, 2008 10:00 A.M.

ATTENDANCE

Present: President Stroger and Commissioners Beavers, Butler, Claypool,

Collins, Daley, Goslin, Gorman, Maldonado, Moreno, Murphy,

Peraica, Quigley, Schneider, Silvestri and Sims (15)

Absent: Commissioners Steele and Suffredin (2)

(Matters referred to Committee are available from the Secretary to the Board of Commissioners)

POST BOARD ACTION AGENDA

Meeting of the Cook County Board of Commissioners County Board Room, County Building Wednesday, September 3, 2008, 10:00 A.M.

PRESIDENT

SELECTION COMMITTEE'S CHOICE FOR INDEPENDENT INSPECTOR GENERAL

ITEM #1

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION, INTERGOVERNMENTAL & VETERANS RELATIONS #295880

Transmitting a Communication, dated July 31, 2008 from

TODD H. STROGER, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

The correspondence from the Independent Inspector General Selection Committee (the "Committee") transmits the identity of its selection for the Office of Independent Inspector General. The Committee has selected Mr. Patrick Blanchard.

As stated in the Committee's correspondence, the Committee interviewed the three (3) candidates, set forth in the Cook County Bar Association/Chicago Bar Association Joint Search Committee's (the "Joint Search Committee") Candidate List, on Wednesday, July 30, 2008, and selected Mr. Patrick Blanchard by a majority vote of the Committee. The Committee's correspondence also notes State's Attorney Devine's abstention from the voting process.

Pursuant to § 2-282(b)(1)(b) of the Independent Inspector General Ordinance (the "Ordinance"), I hereby submit the Committee's selection for the office of Independent Inspector General for your consideration at the County Board meeting scheduled for Wednesday, September 3, 2008.

Pursuant to § 2-282(b)(1)(c) of the Ordinance, the Board of Commissioners must call a vote for Mr. Patrick Blanchard's appointment to the office of Independent Inspector General no later than Wednesday, September 17, 2008.

Please note that the office of Independent Inspector General is not a Presidential Appointment; rather, the Committee has recommended Mr. Patrick Blanchard to you, the Cook County Board of Commissioners, according to the independent selection process set forth in the Ordinance.

As you will recall, in an effort to bring about transparency and accountability, I voluntarily removed myself from the appointment process set forth in the Ordinance which I sponsored. The appointment and selection process required the Cook County Bar Association and the Chicago Bar Association to submit, to me, a Candidate List naming three (3) duly qualified candidates. The bar associations conducted a national search with the assistance of Hudson Recruitment and Talent Management; Hudson reviewed greater than three hundred twenty-eight (328) applications and résumés, from which Hudson created a subgroup of one hundred sixteen (116) highly qualified candidates. Hudson conducted additional screening and interviews of the highly qualified subgroup and created a slate of eleven (11) extremely qualified candidates from which the bar associations selected the members of the Candidate List.

Upon my receipt of the Candidate List from the bar associations, and in accordance with § 2-282(b)(1)(b) of the Ordinance, I publicly submitted the Candidate List to the Committee, at the July 22, 2008 Board Meeting, for the Committee's review, interview, and selection of a candidate to be submitted to the full Board of Commissioners.

Lastly, I am grateful to the members of the Committee: Commissioner Jerry Butler, Commissioner John P. Daley, Commissioner Peter N. Silvestri, Commissioner Gregg Goslin, State's Attorney Richard A. Devine, and Marynic Foster, Esq., Acting Director of the Cook County Board of Ethics, for promptly convening and fulfilling their important role in this independent selection process.

ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

ITEM #2

APPROVED

Submitting a Proposed Ordinance Amendment sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

Co-Sponsored by

WILLIAM M. BEAVERS, JERRY BUTLER, FORREST CLAYPOOL, EARLEAN COLLINS, JOHN P. DALEY, ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, GREGG GOSLIN, ROBERTO MALDONADO, JOSEPH MARIO MORENO, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, ANTHONY J. PERAICA, MIKE QUIGLEY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI and DEBORAH SIMS, County Commissioners

ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

BE IT ORDAINED, pursuant to Cook County's home rule authority under Article VII, Section 6(a) of the 1970 Constitution of the State of Illinois, by the Cook County Board of Commissioners ("County Board") that Chapter 44 Human Resources, Article II Personnel Policies, Section 44-56 is hereby amended as follows:

Sec. 44-56. Political discrimination.

Political discrimination in all aspects of Cook County employment, including the hiring, promotion, <u>discipline</u>, discharge, award of overtime, <u>evaluation of employee performance</u> and transfer of employees in non-exempt Cook County positions under the Office of the President shall be strictly prohibited. "Non-exempt" positions shall have the meaning as defined under applicable State and Federal law, and shall include all Cook County jobs under the Office of the President except those jobs that involve policy making or require confidentiality to an extent that political affiliation is an appropriate consideration for the effective performance of the job.

- (1) With respect to all non-exempt Cook County positions that fall under the control of the President, Cook County exempt and non-exempt employees under the jurisdiction of the President shall be strictly prohibited from:
 - a. Directly or indirectly influencing any aspect of employment, including the hiring, promotion, discipline, transfer or discharge of an employee or employment applicant on the basis of political considerations reasons or factors whether based on political affiliation or non-affiliation, political campaign contributions and/or political support. Nothing in this section shall prohibit an elected or appointed public official from recommending individuals where they have knowledge as to relevant qualifications for a position providing written recommendations to the Department of Human Resources on behalf of an applicant or employee that are based upon their personal knowledge of the applicant's or employee's work skill, work experience or other job-related qualifications.
 - b. Directly or indirectly influencing the issuance of overtime on the basis of political considerations reasons or factors whether based on political affiliation of non-affiliation, political campaign contributions and/or political support.
 - Directly or indirectly influencing the evaluation of employee performance on the basis of political reasons or factors whether based on political affiliation or nonaffiliation, political campaign contributions and/or political support.
 - d. Political reasons or factors are defined as:
 - Recommendations for hiring, promotion or other employment terms for specific persons from public office holders that are not based on personal knowledge of the person's work skills, work experience other job-related qualifications;

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- 2. The fact that the person worked in a political campaign or belongs to a political organization or political party, or the fact that the person chose not to work in a political campaign or to belong to a political organization or a political party;
- 3. The fact that the person contributed money, raised money or provided something else of value to a candidate for public office or a political organization, or the fact that the person chose not to contribute or raise money for a candidate for public office or a political organization;
- 4. The fact that the person is a Democrat or a Republican or a member of any other political party or group, or the fact that the applicant is not a member;
- 5. The fact that the person expressed views or beliefs on political matters such as what candidate or elected officials he or she favored or opposed, what public policy issue he or she favored or opposed, or what views on government actions or failures to act he or she expressed.
- (2) Complaints alleging <u>unlawful</u> political discrimination as a result of <u>the consideration of</u> political <u>eonsideration reasons or factors</u> in any aspect of Cook County employment, including the hiring, promotion, discharge, issuance of overtime, <u>evaluation of employee performance</u> or transfer of employees in non-exempt positions or employment applicants seeking a non-exempt position shall be made to the Cook County Inspector General. The Independent Inspector General shall be responsible for conducting or directing the investigation of the complaint.
- (3) It shall be the duty of every County employee who learns of any unlawful political discrimination in connection with any aspect of government employment with the County, or who believes that such unlawful political discrimination has occurred or is occurring to report this information to the Cook County Independent Inspector General's Office ("IGO") without undue delay.
 - a. County employees shall not retaliate against, punish, or penalize any job applicant, County employee or County official for making complaints or reports about any alleged violation of Section 44-56.
 - b. County employees and officials shall not retaliate against, punish or penalize any job applicant, County employee or County official for cooperating with or assisting the Independent Inspector General or law enforcement authorities investigating any alleged violation of Section 44-56.
- (4) Any person who willfully violates Paragraphs 1 and/or 3 of this section or who has been found to have knowingly submitted a false report may be subject to discipline up to and including discharge termination of employment.

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PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

ITEM #3

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE #295881

Submitting a Proposed Ordinance sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, PRESIDENT, JOHN P. DALEY, JERRY BUTLER, and GREGG GOSLIN, County Commissioners

PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

COUNTY VEHICLE POLICY

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Cook County Board of Commissioners that Chapter 2 Administration, Sec. 2-671 thorough Sec. 2-682, of the Cook County Code is hereby amended as follows:

ARTICLE VIII. COUNTY VEHICLE POLICY

Sec. 2-671. Establishment of a Countywide Vehicle Steering Committee Short title.

- (a) The County Board hereby establishes a Vehicle Steering Committee (VSC) to work closely with the County Board's Finance Committee This article may be referred to as the Cook County Vehicle Policy Ordinance.
- (b) The Vehicle Steering Committee shall be composed of the following departments and elected officials or their designates:
 - (1) Chief Administrative Officer.
 - (2) Chief of the Bureau of Information Technology.
 - (3) Chief Financial Officer.
 - (4) Chief of the Bureau of Human Resources.
 - (5) Director of the Department of Budget and Management Services.
 - (6) Purchasing Agent.
 - (7) Superintendent of Highways.
 - (8) Director of the County Department of Risk Management.
 - (9) Director of the Department of Environmental Control.
 - (10) State's Attorney.
 - (11) Sheriff.
 - (12) Clerk of the Circuit Court of the County.
 - (13) Chair of the Finance Committee of the County Board.
 - (14) Chair of the Environmental Control Committee of the County Board.
- (c) Department Heads and Vehicle Coordinators may be asked to attend as needed in order to discuss and resolve departmental issues.
 - (d) The Vehicle Steering Committee shall have the following responsibilities:
 - (1) Develop a plan to centralize fleet management in the County, to be presented to the County Board no later than November 30, 2007. Such plan shall include the text of proposed ordinances, including projected costs and potential cost savings, necessary to implement centralized fleet management.
 - (2) Administer and insure compliance with this article.
 - (3) Advise and make recommendations to the President and Finance Committee.
 - (4) Review all requests for the purchase or lease of vehicles for compliance with this article.
 - (5) Review vehicle inventory, incident and other required reports from all County offices and departments and insure compliance with reporting requirements.

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- (6) Establish procedures to implement and enforce vehicle policies.
- (7) Prepare a quarterly report to the Board of Commissioners, detailing all collision or userelated damage to County owned vehicles and the status of the damaged vehicle, any violations resulting in the arrest of the driver of any County-owned vehicle, and any reported unauthorized use of a County-owned vehicle.
- (8) Submit an annual report to the Board detailing the changes to the vehicle inventory over the preceding 12 months.
- (9) Review department vehicle requests approved by the Department of Budget and Management Services and included in the annual appropriation ordinance.
- (10) Develop future vehicle strategies in various areas such as:
 - a. Centralized purchase of routine maintenance services;
 - b. Centralized purchase of major repair services;
 - c. Centralized purchase of body work services;
 - d. Development of an executive leasing program;
 - f. Use of car sharing services;
 - Use of Global Positioning System (GPS) and wireless technology for vehicle location and record-keeping purposes;
 - h. Establishment of personnel disciplinary procedures relating to the operation of vehicles during the course of employment; and
 - i. Other matters deemed appropriate.
- (e) Meetings:
- (1) Meetings will be chaired by the Chief Financial Officer.
- (2) Meetings will be held at least quarterly.
- Sec. 2-672. Responsibilities of elected officials, departments, and employees and assignment of Vehicle Coordinator Purpose.
- (a) Bureau chiefs, department heads, and elected officials are responsible for ensuring that Vehicle Steering Committee policies and procedures are administered and adhered to by employees within their offices The purpose of this article is to:
 - (1) Streamline the County's vehicle procurement and asset management processes.
 - (2) Minimize the adverse environmental impact of vehicle purchases and operations.
 - (3) Promote greater accountability by departments and employees.
 - (4) Mitigate the County's liability.
 - (5) Optimize the efficiency of vehicle operations.
 - (b) Vehicle Coordinator:
 - (1) Each Elected Official or Department Head will designate one employee to be the Vehicle Coordinator for the office. On January 1 of each year, the name, title, email address, and telephone number of the Vehicle Coordinator shall be filed with the Chairman of the Vehicle Steering Committee. The Coordinator may be asked to attend meetings of the Vehicle Steering Committee as required to review purchase requests, department inventories, review vehicle use issues, and other matters pertaining to this article.

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- (2) Department Vehicle Coordinators are to ensure the following procedures are in place within the Department and shall be responsible for keeping all records and preparing all reports required under this article. All forms and database formats required under these guidelines will be provided by the Vehicle Steering Committee. Vehicle Coordinators shall:
 - a. Retain on file a copy of the valid license of each employee authorized to drive a County vehicle. The employee must at all times hold a valid proper class Illinois license for the vehicle operated that is not revoked or under suspension. The County's human resource staff shall consult on a monthly basis with the Illinois Secretary of State to check the license status of all employees required to operate vehicles as part of their job duties. The file is to be reviewed and updated on no less than a monthly basis and forwarded to the Board of Commissioners on no less than a quarterly basis. Verification of valid licenses of Sheriff's undercover officers shall be made without requiring pictures of such officers to be maintained on file except as held in the internal files of the Sheriff's Department.
 - b. File a County vehicle disclosure form for each employee whom the Department Head has authorized for overnight use of County vehicles. To facilitate tax withholding obligations for the vehicle benefits associated with take home privileges, the Department shall identify all employees assigned a take home vehicle to the Vehicle Steering Committee. To comply with IRS rules on tax treatment of employee vehicle fringe benefits, regular overnight County vehicle use will have an imputed per diem valuation added to an employee's W-2 form at the end of the year. Vehicles regularly used for emergency or law enforcement purposes are exempt from this requirement. Any vehicles which a department designates as exempt must be reported to the Vehicle Steering Committee.
 - e. Maintain vehicle inventory data (see Subsection (b)(2)e of this section), vehicle maintenance logs, accident logs, vehicle use logs and insurance cards in the form and format established by the Vehicle Steering Committee.
 - d. Each department shall prepare a report to the Vehicle Steering Committee annually, by May 15, detailing the Department's vehicle maintenance and repair procedures. The report will indicate whether routine maintenance is provided through contractual or in house facilities and the protocol for routine maintenance, and the average annual cost per vehicle. For departments with inhouse vehicle services a detailed cost breakdown showing annual labor, parts and materials, fuel, and other costs for maintaining and operating the vehicle will be included. The report shall further detail the procedures utilized by the Department to provide for fuel supplies for each vehicle and for repairs including both routine and non-routine repairs.
 - Submit an initial, accurate, up to date inventory report by February 15, 2005. Subsequent inventory reports shall be submitted at least twice per year on May 15 and November 1 in accordance with Vehicle Steering Committee requirements. This inventory report shall at a minimum have the Department, business unit number, year, make/model/style, color, VIN number, license plate number, department internal I.D. number, use, odometer reading, in-service date, regular overnight and daytime parking location, driver assignment (if take home vehicle), fuel type, city and highway mileage per gallon as determined by the U.S. EPA and Department of Energy, American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy's Green Score, and annual and aggregate fuel and maintenance costs from the time of purchase or lease for each vehicle assigned, allocated, or used by the Department. This inventory report must be updated and submitted to the Vehicle Steering Committee upon each request for acquisition or disposal of any vehicle in the inventory. Law enforcement vehicles used for undercover, special crimes units and surveillance purposes shall be exempt from disclosure of the vehicle's regular overnight and daytime parking location and driver assignment.

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- (1) Requests for new or replacement vehicles (owned or leased) shall be submitted for review by the Vehicle Steering Committee prior to any such request being approved for purchase
- by the Vehicle Steering Committee prior to any such request being approved for purchase or acquisition. No vehicle shall be purchased, acquired, or leased without the approval of the Vehicle Steering Committee.
- (2) The following guidelines will set the minimum vehicle replacement goals.

Purchase and salvage procedures.

- a. In general, automobiles should be replaced when they reach eight years of service or 100,000 miles, whichever comes first.
- b. Departments shall request the smallest possible vehicle for the intended use.
- c. Requests that do not meet these criteria will not be considered for replacement unless the Department Head submits a written justification to the Vehicle Steering Committee for the exception which documents the extenuating circumstances.
- d. Only specialized equipment; such as heavy highway construction equipment will be allowed to use other criteria such as hours of service, however the criteria utilized by the Department should be submitted to justify the vehicle replacement request, and the Vehicle Steering Committee will determine if this information is adequate and the maintenance cost information required.
- e. A request for a new vehicle which increases the number of vehicles in the department's vehicle inventory shall be submitted to the Vehicle Steering Committee with a written justification as to why the additional vehicles will be required. Such request must demonstrate that reassignment of existing vehicles would be unable to meet department needs and that sufficient funding is available for both the purchase and the cost of operating and maintaining the vehicle. The request to purchase must state the use intended for the vehicle, whether the vehicle will be assigned with 'take home' privileges and whether the vehicle will bear a municipal license plate.
- f. Departments shall submit draft vehicle requests to the Vehicle Steering Committee at the same time they submit capital budget requests to the Department of Budget and Management Services. Finalized vehicle requests shall be submitted to the Vehicle Steering Committee within one month of Board approval of the annual appropriation ordinance or the beginning of the fiscal year, whichever is later.
- g. If sufficient funds are available and other conditions of the ordinance have been complied with, the Vehicle Steering Committee may concur in the request for new or replacement vehicles. Such concurrence shall be transmitted to the Purchasing Agent, and where County Board approval is required for the purchase, such concurrence shall be reflected on the County Board's Agenda.
- (3) New County Vehicle purchases must adhere to the following green vehicle purchasing guidelines:
 - a. Requested vehicles must meet the requirements specific to their class, as follows:
 - 1. Compact Car
 Minimum ACEEE Green Score: 35
 Tier range: Tier 2 bin 2 Tier 2 bin 5 / ULEV II PZEV
 Minimum MPG City: 22
 Minimum MPG Highway: 32
 ACEEE Class Ranking: Above Average Superior

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2. Midsize Car

Minimum ACEEE Green Score: 35

Tier range: Tier 2 bin 2 - Tier 2 bin 5 / ULEV II - PZEV

Minimum MPG City: 20

Minimum MPG Highway: 30

ACEEE Class Ranking: Above Average Superior

3. Large Car:

Minimum ACEEE Green Score: 35

Tier range: Tier 2 bin 2 - Tier 2 bin 5 / ULEV II - PZEV

Minimum MPG City: 19

Minimum MPG Highway: 28

ACEEE Class Ranking: Above Average Superior

4. Station Wagon:

Minimum ACEEE Green Score: 35

Tier range: Tier 2 bin 3 - Tier 2 bin 5 / ULEV II - PZEV

Minimum MPG City: 23

Minimum MPG Highway: 30

ACEEE Class Ranking: Above Average Superior

5. Sport Utility Vehicle:

Minimum ACEEE Green Score: 33

Tier range: Tier 2 bin 3 - Tier 2 bin 5 / ULEV II - PZEV

Minimum MPG City: 20

Minimum MPG Highway: 26

ACEEE Class Ranking: Above Average Superior

6. Van:

Minimum ACEEE Green Score: 23

Tier range: Tier 2 bin 5 - Tier 2 bin 8 /LEV II - PZEV

Minimum MPG City: 15

Minimum MPG Highway: 20

ACEEE Class Ranking: Above Average Superior

7. Light Truck:

Minimum ACEEE Green Score: 25

Tier range: Tier 2 bin 5 - Tier 2 bin 8 /LEV II - PZEV

Minimum MPG City: 16

Minimum MPG Highway: 21

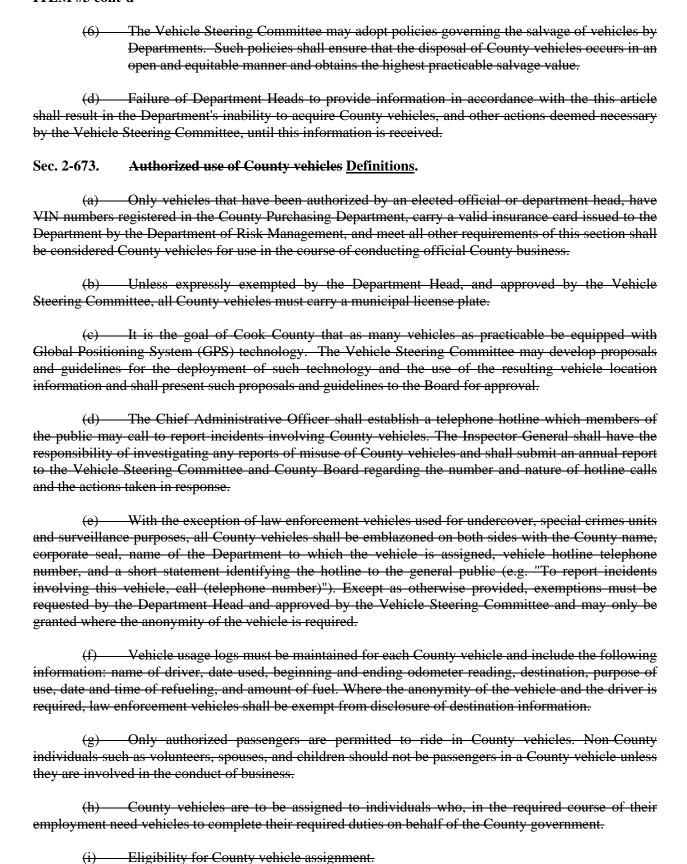
ACEEE Class Ranking: Average Above Average

8. Other Vehicles: Vehicles not included in any of the above classes shall be considered by the Vehicle Steering Committee on a case by case basis.

b. Cost comparisons shall be made using total lifecycle costs rather than purchase price. Lifecycle costs shall include, but not be limited to, total purchase price, estimated fuel expenditure, and estimated maintenance costs over the expected lifetime of the vehicle.

- (4) Titles for all County vehicles will be held in the Purchasing Department.
- (5) Where a Department is requesting to lease vehicles, the request must include a copy of the proposed lease contract, particularly including all terms of the lease with respect to lease costs, maintenance costs and responsibility, and liability for accidents. Leased vehicles shall also be evaluated using the environmental criteria listed in Subsection (c)(3) of this section.

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- (1) Take home assignment. A County vehicle may be assigned to employees in a service, management or supervisory position on call 24 hours a day, responsible for providing or supporting emergency services. A vehicle disclosure form shall be used and remain on file in the Department for all 'take home' vehicles.
- (2) Pool assignment. Pool vehicles are to be assigned on a periodic basis to individuals when the County work assignment requires a vehicle in order to properly conduct County business. A vehicle disclosure form and daily log shall be used and remain on file in the Department for all pool vehicles which are taken home overnight. Those employees authorized for overnight use of County vehicles shall, when away from work for an extended period of time, for vacation, sick leave, compensatory time off, travel, etc., return the assigned County vehicle to the custody of his/her department head during the period of absence.
 - a. No person shall be authorized to drive a County vehicle unless he/she:
 - 1. Possesses a current, valid Illinois driver's license with the correct class for the vehicle driven.
 - 2. Is the age of 18 or older.
 - 3. Is the age of 25 or older to drive a leased or rented car.
 - 4. Is medically fit to drive safely.
 - 5. Is free of any prior convictions for driving while under the influence of alcohol or drugs, or of reckless driving within the previous year.

 Employees operating a commercial vehicle must comply with all of the requirements of the Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1986.
 - 6. All prospective employees who are professional drivers or whose primary duty is the operation of a vehicle shall be required to submit to a driving records check after receiving a conditional offer of employment. The Cook County Bureau of Human Resources as part of a preemployment background investigation shall coordinate driver checks. Failure to have a valid Illinois driver's license of the proper type, or the existence of a disqualifying driver's record will be grounds to withdraw the conditional offer of employment.
 - Any employee performing work which requires the operation of a County-owned vehicle or a private vehicle at County expense, shall notify his/her immediate supervisor immediately of any current restrictions or changes in driving privileges, including but not limited to revocation, suspension, cancellation, denial, Restricted Driving Permit, Judicial Driving Permit, Probationary License, Family Financial Responsibility Driving Permit, leaving the scene of an accident, refusal or neglect to report a traffic accident, traffic violations, unpaid traffic citations, failure of vehicle titled in the employee's name to pass the vehicle emissions testing, or unpaid parking citations for a vehicle titled in the employee's name. Any restrictions or changes to driving privileges shall be reported by the employee to the employee's Bureau Chief or Elected Official immediately and a record maintained in the department. Any employee who fails to report, and/or continues to operate a vehicle in the performance of County duties, is subject to disciplinary action up to and including termination from County employment.
 - 8. Employees are held personally responsible for all parking and/or traffic violations incurred while operating County vehicles.

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- b. Collision Procedures. The following collision procedures are to be followed by drivers involved in collisions while operating a County or personal vehicle on County business, and by the department head:
 - 1. Request that all parties remain and render assistance at the scene of the accident, if possible, until law enforcement representative has released them.
 - 2. Promptly report all accidents involving vehicles or persons on duty and actively engaged in County business to the appropriate law enforcement agency, department vehicle coordinator, and the Department of Risk Management.
 - 3. A record of all driving violations for each employee shall be maintained by the Department Vehicle Coordinator including the date; time; employee name; vehicle identification number; incident report number; date and time report was forwarded to the Department of Risk Management; date reported to the Vehicle Steering Committee and personnel actions taken by the Department against the employee.
 - 4. Logs of all accidents shall be maintained by the Department's Vehicle Coordinator. Department Heads are to review each collision report prior to their submission to the Department of Risk Management to determine if the employee was at fault and take appropriate personnel action. Department Heads are to prepare a report on their findings and personnel actions taken, and forward it to the Vehicle Steering Committee chairman along with a copy of the accident report forwarded to the Department of Risk Management.
 - 5. Drivers involved in collisions are to refrain from making statements regarding the accident to anyone other than the investigating law enforcement officials, appropriate County officials, and representatives of his or her own insurance company if the employee's privately owned vehicle is involved.
 - 6. Drivers will also complete a Vehicle Incident Form and forward it to the Department of Risk Management's General Liability Division as well as the Department's Vehicle Coordinator within 24 hours of the accident.
 - 7. Drivers will also forward copies of all police reports, an employee statement and any witness statements to the Vehicle Coordinator and Department Head, and to the Department of Risk Management's General Liability Division no more than three days after completion of the investigation.
- c. Use of private vehicles for County business:
 - 1. County employees, with the prior permission of their Department Head, may use their private vehicle to conduct official County business. Department Heads shall only approve use of private vehicles for County business when it is in the best interest of the County to do so.
 - 2. A valid proof of insurance is required to operate a private vehicle and a copy must be filed with the Department's Vehicle Coordinator.
 - 3. Employees authorized to use their personal vehicles for County business shall comply with the following insurance requirements:

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- (i) County employees who drive a private vehicle for official County business shall have at least the minimum auto insurance for private vehicles as required by the State of Illinois.
- (ii) Employees operating private vehicles in the performance of County duties should have minimum limits of no less than \$100,000.00 per person and \$300,000.00 per accident and have Uninsured Motorist/Under Insured Motorist coverage.
- (iii) The employee's vehicle insurance policy must be issued by a company that is licensed by the Illinois State Department of Insurance.
- (iv) In the event a County employee is involved in an accident while driving his/her own vehicle, the employee's personal insurance provides the primary coverage.
- (v) Mileage reimbursement rates will be based on the Cook County Travel and Expense Reimbursement Policy (separate document).

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Authorized passenger means a County employee or any other person engaged in official County business as determined by the department head and/or vehicle coordinator, as appropriate.

Committee means the Vehicle Steering Committee.

<u>Cost per mile</u> means the purchase price, maintenance expense not covered by warranty, and fuel expense for each County vehicle, divided by the total number of miles driven, at any given point in time.

<u>County vehicle</u> means a vehicle owned or leased by the County of Cook, or, when applicable, personal vehicles driven by County employees engaged in official County business.

<u>Department</u> means any bureau, department, agency, or office headed by a Control Officer, as determined by the Annual Appropriation Ordinance.

<u>Policy</u> or <u>procedure</u> means any policy or <u>procedure</u> adopted by the Committee under the <u>provisions of Sec. 2-675(a).</u>

Personal vehicle means a vehicle owned or leased by a County employee.

<u>Pool vehicle</u> means a vehicle owned or leased by the County that is part of a pool fleet and is driven by employees for limited periods of time as needed, pursuant to this article.

<u>Specialized vehicle</u> means any vehicle which does not fall into any of the classes used in the U.S. <u>Environmental Protection Agency's Green Vehicle Guide ratings.</u>

Vehicle means any object licensed with the state of Illinois as a motor vehicle.

<u>Vehicle coordinator</u> means an employee assigned by a department head to ensure the department's compliance with this article.

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Sec. 2-674. <u>Miscellaneous rules Vehicle Steering Committee - general.</u>

- (a) Traffic laws and regulations. Drivers of County vehicles shall observe all traffic laws and regulations. Drivers and passengers in County vehicles shall wear seat belts at all times and shall observe safe driving practices. All drivers of a County vehicle involved in accidents and those who have been charged with a traffic violation are required to attend a driving safety training class conducted by the Department of Risk Management The Cook County Vehicle Steering Committee is hereby established.
- (b) *Use of tobacco products.* Use of tobacco products is prohibited in County vehicles. The Committee shall be composed of the following bureau chiefs, department heads, and elected officials or their designates:
 - (1) Chief Administrative Officer.
 - (2) Chief Information Officer.
 - (3) Chief Financial Officer.
 - (4) Chief of the Bureau of Human Resources.
 - (5) Director of the Department of Budget and Management Services.
 - (6) Comptroller.
 - (7) Purchasing Agent.
 - (8) Superintendent of Highways.
 - (9) Director of the Department of Risk Management.
 - (10) Director of the Department of Environmental Control.
 - (11) State's Attorney.
 - (12) Sheriff.
 - (13) Clerk of the Circuit Court.
 - (14) Chair of the Finance Committee of the County Board.
 - (15) Chair of the Environmental Control Committee of the County Board.
 - (16) Chair of the Cook County Health and Hospitals System Board of Directors.
- (c) Engine idling. Except for purposes of law enforcement including but not limited to surveillance and radar gun use activities, the driver of a County vehicle must turn off the engine upon stopping at a destination and must not cause or allow an engine to idle at any location for more than five consecutive minutes or a period or periods aggregating more than five minutes in any one hour period, except when idling is absolutely necessary for the conduct of County business, for personal safety, or to comply with traffic laws and law enforcement personnel Meetings.
 - (1) Meetings of the Committee shall be called by the Chief Financial Officer.
 - (2) Meetings shall be chaired by the Chief Financial Officer or his/her designee.
 - (3) Meetings shall be held at least quarterly.
 - (4) Departmental vehicle coordinators may be asked to attend Committee meetings as needed in order to discuss vehicle purchase requests and other issues.

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(d) Liability for damages. The County shall not be liable for injuries or damages arising from activities outside the scope of employment, including but not limited to personal use of rented vehicles by employees during a County authorized business trip. Any damages arising from these circumstances are the responsibility of the employee. To the extent that the County incurs financial liability for the acts of employees which occur outside the scope of employment, Cook County reserves the right to seek reimbursement from the responsible person Subcommittees.

The Committee may establish subcommittees consisting of its members, County employees, and others, to assist it in its work.

- (e) Insurance. The State of Illinois requires that all vehicles have an Illinois Insurance Card at all times. The County Self-Insurance Program is administered by the Department of Risk Management General Liability Division, which will issue a proof of insurance card for each County owned vehicle. Only vehicles which are included in the County (owned) vehicle inventory shall be registered with the Department of Risk Management for insurance purposes.
- (f) Traffic violations. At no time will County funds be used directly or indirectly to pay or reimburse an employee for parking or traffic violations.
- (g) Article not intended to enlarge current County liability, etc., to employees. Nothing in this article is intended or shall be construed to extend or enlarge the obligations, liability, or responsibilities that County currently has to employees, or third parties, by law or contract, if any, in regards to the operation of motor vehicles.

Sec. 2-675. Vehicle Steering Committee—responsibilities.

- (a) Establish written policies and procedures to implement and enforce the provisions of this article. Such policies and procedures:
 - (1) Shall be adopted by consensus, or, in the absence of consensus, by majority vote of the Committee.
 - (2) May be overridden or altered by resolution of the Board.
 - (3) Shall be disseminated to departments and to the general public by means of electronic dissemination of information technologies that shall include, but not be limited to, the World Wide Web.
 - (b) Maintain a record of additional departmental vehicle policies and procedures.
 - (c) Request information from departments required in the fulfillment of its responsibilities.
- (d) Assign responsibilities described in this article to departments, vehicle coordinators, and employees as appropriate.
- (e) Advise and make recommendations to the President, Finance Committee, and Board of Commissioners.
- (f) Set minimum environmental, fuel efficiency, and performance attributes for vehicles included in the annual Request for Proposals, in consultation with the Sheriff, Purchasing Agent, and other departments.
- (g) Establish vehicle replacement guidelines based on a cost-per-mile standard and other criteria.
- (h) Review and approve departmental vehicle requests submitted to the Department of Budget and Management Services for inclusion in the executive budget recommendation.

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- (i) Review and approve departmental requests for the purchase or lease of vehicles for compliance with this article.
- (j) Review and approve requests for exemptions to policies and procedures as described in this article.
 - (k) Monitor the County's vehicle inventory.
 - (1) Oversee a telephone hotline managed by the Department of Risk Management.
- (m) Disseminate vehicle coordinators' names and contact information to the Board and other departments, as appropriate.
- (n) Submit an annual report to the Board by no later than June 1 of each year that shall include, but not be limited to, the following topics:
 - (1) Changes to the vehicle inventory, including all acquisitions and disposals, during the previous three fiscal years.
 - (2) Incidents, claims, and recoveries involving County vehicles during the previous three fiscal years.
 - (3) Summary of violations of this article and policies and procedures established by the Committee and any administrative responses taken during the previous fiscal year.
 - (4) Summaries of County-wide vehicle policies and procedures adopted by the Committee during the previous fiscal year.
 - (5) Other matters as appropriate.
- (o) Evaluate and develop future vehicle strategies that may include, but not be limited to, the following:
 - (1) Reduction in fleet size, fuel consumption, and adverse environmental impacts.
 - (2) Streamlined fleet management.
 - (3) More efficient maintenance, repair, and body work.
 - (4) Leasing and car-sharing programs.
 - (5) Use of wireless communication technology (including, but not limited to, Global Positioning System devices) for vehicle tracking, recordkeeping, and automation.
 - (6) Salvage and disposal procedures.
- (p) Perform any other duty or function pertaining to vehicle procurement, operations, or maintenance not otherwise limited by law or by resolution of the Board.

Sec. 2-676. Vehicle purchases—policies.

- (a) No vehicle shall be purchased, acquired, or leased without the approval of the Committee. The Committee shall not approve the purchase, acquisition, or leasing of any vehicles without the submission of all documents and information required by this article and any additional policies and procedures duly adopted by the Committee.
- (b) All passenger vehicles and as many specialized vehicles as possible shall be acquired through an annual Request for Proposal process.
 - (1) The Sheriff, or another department as designated by the Committee, shall oversee the development of the annual Request for Proposals.

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- (2) The Sheriff shall consult the Committee and user departments to develop a list of vehicles for the Request for Proposals that will meet the County's vehicle needs for the upcoming fiscal year.
- (3) The Committee shall develop minimum environmental standards to ensure that the vehicles included in the Request for Proposals and available under the resultant master vehicle purchase agreement are among the best in their respective vehicle classes for low emissions of greenhouse gases and other pollutants, high fuel efficiency, and other similar attributes. Such standards may be based on rankings and evaluations developed by government agencies or independent groups, including, but not limited to, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Green Vehicle Guide and the American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy's Green Score.
- (4) The Request for Proposals shall be issued by no later than June 1 of each year.
- (c) Vehicle replacement and acquisition.
- (1) Departments may request to purchase vehicles required for the conduct of County business. Requested vehicles shall:
 - a. Replace a vehicle removed from the department's vehicle inventory in accordance with replacement guidelines established by the Committee.
 - b. Be selected from the list of vehicles available under the current master vehicle purchase agreement, excluding specialized vehicles.
 - c. Be of the smallest size and/or have the highest fuel efficiency for the intended use.
- (2) If the requested vehicle is not available under the most recent master vehicle purchase agreement and/or would increase a department's overall inventory, a written explanation of need describing the circumstances shall be submitted to the Committee for evaluation.

Sec. 2-677. Vehicle purchases—procedures.

- (a) Vehicle coordinators shall submit departmental requests for the purchase, acquisition, or leasing of vehicles to the Committee.
 - (b) Requests shall be made in writing.
 - (c) Requests shall include the following information:
 - (1) General description of the vehicle.
 - (2) A copy of the capital request form that shows the request for funding.
 - (3) Proof of sufficient funds for purchase.
 - (4) Documentation demonstrating compliance with all criteria described in Section 2-676.
 - (5) Estimated purchase price.
 - (6) Other information as required by the Committee.
- (d) Requests to lease a vehicle shall include a copy of the proposed lease contract, including all terms of the lease with respect to lease costs, maintenance costs and responsibility, and liability for accidents. Leased vehicles shall meet the same environmental, size, and fuel efficiency criteria listed in Subsections 2-676 (b)(3) and 2-676 (c)(1)c. of this section.

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- (e) Upon delivery of a vehicle to a department, the vehicle coordinator shall:
- (1) Present the title or lease agreement to the Purchasing Agent.
- (2) Record the following data about the vehicle in the departmental vehicle inventory:
 - a. Make
 - b. Model
 - c. Style
 - d. Color
 - e. Vehicle Identification Number
 - f. License plate number
 - g. Odometer reading
 - h. In-service date
 - i. Employee assignment, when applicable
 - j. Other information as required by the Committee.
- (3) Forward the data listed in (2) to the Purchasing Agent.
- (4) Obtain a proof-of-insurance card from the Department of Risk Management General Liability Division.
- (5) Obtain a license plate and any necessary permits from the Purchasing Agent.

Sec. 2-678. Vehicle salvage.

- (a) The Committee shall adopt policies governing the salvage of vehicles by departments. Such policies shall ensure that the disposal of County vehicles occurs in an open and equitable manner, obtains the highest practicable salvage value, and takes care to minimize the adverse environmental impact.
- (b) County vehicles removed from inventory in accordance with vehicle replacement guidelines established by the Committee may be sold through live auction, online auction, or any other means authorized by the Committee.

Sec. 2-679. Exemptions.

(a) Vehicle coordinators may request exemptions from the provisions of Sections 2-676, 2-677, and 2-678 from the Committee. Such requests shall be made in writing and shall include documentation supporting the request. The Committee shall transmit its response approving or disapproving exemption requests to the vehicle coordinator in writing and such response shall include reasons for approving or denying the request.

Sec. 2-680. County employees—responsibilities.

- (a) County employees shall follow all provisions of this article and all Committee policies and procedures in all matters related to vehicle procurement, operation, and maintenance.
 - (b) Department heads.
 - (1) Department heads shall:
 - a. Ensure that all employees under their supervision comply with the provisions of this article and Committee policies and procedures.
 - b. Designate a vehicle coordinator for the department and forward his/her name and contact information to the Committee. Any changes to departmental vehicle coordinators shall be submitted to the Committee as soon as possible.

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- c. Assign vehicles, approve requests for exemptions, and perform other duties as required by the Committee.
- (2) Department heads may:
 - a. Assign assistant vehicle coordinators as needed.
 - b. Set procedures governing the authorization of passengers in County vehicles.
 - Establish additional policies and procedures governing the use of vehicles,
 provided they do not conflict with the provisions of this article or Committee policies.
 - d. Delegate the responsibilities listed in Sec. 2-680(a)(1)c. to the vehicle coordinator. Such delegation must be recorded in writing and transmitted to the Committee.
- (c) Vehicle coordinators—responsibilities.
- (1) Carry out responsibilities delegated to him/her by the department head.
- (2) Maintain a list of and information about all employees driving County vehicles and/or their personal vehicles in the performance of County duties, including driver's license and insurance information.
- (3) Maintain a record of vehicle assignments.
- (4) Maintain a record of the department's current vehicle inventory and notify the Purchasing Agent of changes to the inventory.
- (5) Maintain a record of driving violations for each employee in accordance with Sec. 2-681(a)(9) and a record of incidents involving County vehicles, including the date, time, and location of the incident; vehicle identification number; incident report number; and date and time report was forwarded to the Department of Risk Management.
- (6) Request exemptions permitted under this Article from the Committee on behalf of the department or department employees.
- (7) Submit required documentation for vehicle purchase and lease requests to the Committee.
- (8) Establish procedures to accurately calculate the cost per mile for each department vehicle.
- (9) Provide the Committee with additional information and attend Committee meetings upon request.
- (10) Perform other duties as required by the Committee.

Sec. 2-681. Vehicle operations.

- (a) Authorized use. Drivers of County vehicles shall:
- (1) Possess a current, valid Illinois driver's license with the correct class for the vehicle driven and a valid insurance policy.
- (2) Be the age of 18 or older.
- (3) Be the age of 25 or older to drive a leased or rented car.

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- (4) Be medically fit to drive safely.
- (5) Be free of any prior convictions for driving while under the influence of alcohol or drugs, or of reckless driving, within the previous year.
- (6) Obey all traffic laws and regulations.
- (7) Observe safe driving practices.
- (8) Comply with the requirements of the Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1986, if operating a commercial vehicle.
- (9) Immediately notify his/her immediate supervisor and the departmental vehicle coordinator of any current restrictions on or changes in driving privileges, including, but not limited to, revocation, suspension, cancellation, and denial of license.
- (b) Driving status verification. The Bureau of Human Resources and/or one or more departments as designated by the Committee shall consult on a monthly basis with the Illinois Secretary of State to verify the license status of all employees driving County vehicles.
 - (c) Vehicle assignment.
 - (1) County vehicles may be assigned to individuals who need vehicles to complete their required duties on behalf of the County. Department heads shall assign County vehicles to employees using the following categories:
 - a. Take-home vehicles. A County vehicle may be assigned on a long-term basis with overnight use privileges to employees in a service, management or supervisory position on call 24 hours a day, responsible for providing or supporting emergency services.
 - b. Assigned work vehicles. A County vehicle may be assigned to an individual employee on a long-term basis for work use, but such vehicle is not normally taken home overnight.
 - c. Pool vehicles. Pool vehicles may be assigned on a temporary, periodic basis to individuals when the County work assignment requires a vehicle in order to properly conduct County business.
 - d. Private vehicles. Department heads may authorize County employees to use their private vehicle to conduct official County business. Department heads shall only approve the use of private vehicles for County business when it is in the best interest of the County to do so.

(2) Overnight use.

- a. When necessary for the efficient conduct of County business, department heads may authorize employees to take assigned work or pool vehicles home overnight and shall report such authorization as required by the Committee and/or by the department.
- b. Employees authorized to take County vehicles home overnight who are away from work for an extended period of time shall return any assigned County vehicles to the custody of their respective department heads during the period of absence.
- Upon termination of employment or transfer to another County department,
 County employees shall return any assigned County vehicles to the custody of their respective former department heads.

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- (d) Telephone hotline.
- (1) The Department of Risk Management shall:
 - a. Maintain a telephone hotline which members of the public may call to report incidents involving County vehicles.
 - b. Forward any credible reports of misuse of County vehicles from the hotline to the appropriate department head and the Inspector General.
 - Submit an annual report to the Committee and Board by no later than June 1 of
 each year regarding the number and nature of hotline calls and the actions taken
 in response.
- (e) Additional policies.
- (1) Only authorized passengers are permitted to ride in County vehicles. Non-County individuals such as volunteers, spouses, and children should not be passengers in a County vehicle unless they are involved in the conduct of business.
- (2) County vehicles shall carry a municipal license plate.
- (3) County vehicles shall be emblazoned on both sides with the County name, corporate seal, department name, vehicle hotline telephone number, and any other information, as required by the Committee.
- (4) Engine idling. A driver of a County vehicle shall turn off the engine upon stopping at a destination and must not cause or allow an engine to idle at any location for more than five consecutive minutes or a period or periods aggregating more than five minutes in any one-hour period, except when idling is absolutely necessary for the conduct of County business, for personal safety, or to comply with traffic laws and law enforcement personnel.
- (5) Exemptions. The Committee may grant exemptions to the provisions of Sec. 2-680(e) upon request by a department head or vehicle coordinator when anonymity is required or for law enforcement purposes.

Sec. 2-682. Violations.

- (a) Violations of this article.
- (1) Drivers of County vehicles who fail to report changes in driving status as required by Subsection 2-680(a)(9) and/or continue to operate a vehicle in the performance of County duties may be subject to disciplinary action up to and including termination from County employment.
- (b) Accidents and collisions.
- (1) If involved in a collision or accident while operating a County vehicle or his/her personal vehicle while conducting County business, a County driver shall:
 - a. Request that all parties remain and render assistance at the scene of the accident, if possible, until law enforcement officials have released them.
 - b. Report all vehicle accidents involving persons on duty and engaged in County

 business to the appropriate law enforcement agency as soon as possible but no

 later than 24 hours after the incident.
 - c. File a report with the Illinois Department of Transportation no later than 10 days after the incident, regardless of fault, if the crash involves death, bodily injury or property damage over \$500.

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- d. Refrain from making statements regarding the accident to anyone other than the investigating law enforcement agency, appropriate County officials, and representatives of his/her own insurance company, if the employee's privately owned vehicle is involved.
- e. Consult the vehicle insurance card located in the County vehicle for additional instructions.
- f. Complete a vehicle incident form and forward it to the Department of Risk
 Management's General Liability Division and the appropriate departmental vehicle coordinator within one business day of the accident.
- g. Forward copies of all police reports, motorist reports, photos and witness statements to the departmental vehicle coordinator and the Department of Risk Management's General Liability Division within three business days after the accident.
- (c) Parking and traffic violations.
- (1) Employees shall be held personally responsible for all parking and/or traffic violations incurred while operating County vehicles.
- (2) County funds shall not be used directly or indirectly to pay or reimburse an employee for parking or traffic violations.
- (d) Liability for damages. The County shall not be liable for injuries or damages arising from activities outside the scope of employment, including, but not limited to, personal use of rented vehicles by employees during a County-authorized business trip. Any damages arising from these circumstances shall be the responsibility of the employee. To the extent that the County incurs financial liability for the acts of employees which occur outside the scope of employment, the County reserves the right to seek reimbursement from the responsible person.
- (e) Article not intended to enlarge current County liability, etc., to employees. Nothing in this article is intended or shall be construed to extend or enlarge the obligations, liability, or responsibilities that County currently has to employees, or third parties, by law or contract, if any, in regards to the operation of motor vehicles.

RESOLUTIONS

ITEM #4

APPROVED

Submitting a Proposed Resolution sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, PRESIDENT, County Commissioners

Co Sponsored by

WILLIAM M. BEAVERS, JERRY BUTLER, FORREST CLAYPOOL, EARLEAN COLLINS, JOHN P. DALEY, ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, GREGG GOSLIN, ROBERTO MALDONADO, JOSEPH MARIO MORENO, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, ANTHONY J. PERAICA, MIKE QUIGLEY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE and LARRY SUFFREDIN, County Commissioners

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His Infinite Wisdom has called John Rita from our midst; and

WHEREAS, John Rita was a lifelong resident, community leader and elected official of the City of Blue Island, serving as an alderman for 16 years, Mayor of Blue Island from 1978 to 1985 and President of the South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association; and

WHEREAS, John Rita was a dedicated Cook County employee for 37 years, where he served with the Sheriff's Office of Cook County, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County and the Office of the Cook County Board President; and

WHEREAS, John Rita was elected to the Cook County Pension Board in 1995, and served as Pension Board President from 2004 until his death; and

WHEREAS, John Rita held a number of political positions, including suburban leadership positions in the Cook County Democratic Party and Democratic Committeeman for Calumet Township; and

WHEREAS, John Rita possessed an engaging and effusive personality and demonstrated a genuine care and concern for his neighbors, his constituents and his fellow political leaders; and

WHEREAS, John Rita used his extensive political skills and knowledge to address the needs of those he served, building bridges between political factions or between racial and ethnic groups in order to find common cause and significant progress for all; and

WHEREAS, John Rita was always willing to provide a friendly word of advice, or a timely word of warning to those whom he knew well and cared for; and

WHEREAS, in a changed political world, where a person's word may not be worth what it once was, John Rita made his word his bond; and

WHEREAS, John Rita felt great pride and love in the accomplishments of his family, including the political legacy he leaves behind in the elections of his wife Rose and son Robert to elective office; and

WHEREAS, countless young people in the southern suburbs and throughout Cook County were the beneficiaries of John Rita's wisdom, work and experience, not just in government, politics and business but also in education and in family life; and

WHEREAS, some of the greatest beneficiaries of John Rita's words and deeds were those who deserved them the most, his extensive and loving family, including his wife Rose; his daughter Nancy; his sons John, Robert and the late Richard; as well as his 11 grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, while politics and government service may have been John Rita's passion, his wife Rose was the love of his life. For 57 years, John and Rose were known to all as a constant presence in support of their community and their family, their relationship was a reflection of what true love and genuine affection is all about; and

WHEREAS, the Rita Family has suffered the recent tragedy of the death of John's son Richard, we ask for all to pray for the health and strength of the entire Rita Family; and

WHEREAS, while the City of Blue Island, the Township of Calumet and the County of Cook have all lost a leader, those who knew and loved John Rita have lost a father, grandfather, uncle and true friend.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that John Rita's memory shall be cherished in all of the hearts of the people he touched and loved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the more than five million residents of Cook County, does hereby express its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family as well as the many friends and loved ones of John Rita, and may a suitable copy of this Resolution be tendered herewith.

COMMISSIONERS

VILLAGE OF DIXMOOR - NO CASH BID REQUESTS

ITEM #5

REFERRED TO THE TAX DELINQUENCY SUBCOMMITTEE #295882

Transmitting a Communication from

DEBORAH SIMS, Chairman, Tax Delinquency Subcommittee

Submitting a request from

KEEVAN GRIMMETT, Village President

1. The Village of Dixmoor, Illinois (hereinafter referred to as "the municipality") is interested in receiving a No Cash Bid for the listed Parcels:

VOLUME	PROPERTY INDEX NUMBER
107	20.07.109.001.0000
197	29-07-108-001-0000
197	29-07-108-002-0000
197	29-07-108-003-0000
197	29-07-108-004-0000

- 2. This Request Package contains 4 Property Index Numbers (PINs).
- 3. The following PINs are currently vacant lots with no improvements situated thereon, and after development, will be used as a commercial day care center providing the benefit of property taxes to the Village of Dixmoor as well as encourage residential and commercial development in the municipality: 29-07-108-001-0000, 29-07-108-002-0000, 29-07-108-003-0000 and 29-07-108-004-0000.
- 4. The municipality will file for tax exempt status upon acquiring a perfected deed to the subject parcels and will maintain the status until a developer acquires title and ownership of the subject parcels.
- 5. A Third Party Request has been made by Dr. Jalal Jato for the development of a Day Care Center on the following PINs: 29-07-108-001-0000, 29-07-108-002-0000, 29-07-108-003-0000 and 29-07-108-004-0000.
- 6. The municipality will retain Adrian P. Zeno, Esq. as legal counsel to obtain the tax deed and the municipality will bear all legal and other costs associated with acquisition of the parcels.
- 7. The municipality agrees to submit, to the Cook County Office of Economic Development, No Cash Bid Reports on the status of each parcel for five years or until development is complete, whichever occurs last, as required by the Cook County No Cash Bid Ordinance.

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VILLAGE OF DIXMOOR - NO CASH BID REQUESTS continued

ITEM #6

REFERRED TO THE TAX DELINQUENCY SUBCOMMITTEE #295883

Transmitting a Communication from

DEBORAH SIMS, Chairman, Tax Delinquency Subcommittee

Submitting a request from

KEEVAN GRIMMETT, Village President

1. The Village of Dixmoor, Illinois (hereinafter referred to as "the municipality") is interested in receiving a No Cash Bid for the listed Parcels:

VOLUME	PROPERTY INDEX NUMBER
198	29-07-210-016-0000
198	29-07-210-017-0000
198	29-07-210-018-0000
198	29-07-210-019-0000
198	29-07-210-020-0000
198	29-07-210-021-0000
198	29-07-210-022-0000
198	29-07-210-023-0000
198	29-07-210-024-0000

- 2. This Request Package contains 9 Property Index Numbers (PIN).
- 3. The following PINs are currently vacant lots with no improvements situated thereon. The intended use is to provide residential development or construction of a public library and will provide the benefit of more tax revenue to the Village of Dixmoor or having a public facility for its citizens: 29-07-210-016-0000, 29-07-210-017-0000, 29-07-210-018-0000, 29-07-210-020-0000, 29-07-210-021-0000, 29-07-210-022-0000, 29-07-210-023-0000, 29-07-210-024-0000.
- 4. The municipality will file for tax exempt status upon acquiring a perfected deed to the subject parcels and will maintain the status until a developer acquires title and ownership of the subject parcels.
- 5. No Third Party Request has been made on the following PINs: 29-07-210-016-0000, 29-07-210-017-0000, 29-07-210-018-0000, 29-07-210-019-0000, 29-07-210-020-0000, 29-07-210-021-0000, 29-07-210-022-0000, 29-07-210-023-0000, 29-07-210-024-0000.
- 6. The municipality will retain Adrian P. Zeno, Esq. as legal counsel to obtain the tax deed and the municipality will bear all legal and other costs associated with acquisition of the parcels.
- 7. The municipality agrees to submit, to the Cook County Office of Economic Development, No Cash Bid Reports on the status of each parcel for five years or until development is complete, whichever occurs last, as required by the Cook County No Cash Bid Ordinance.

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VILLAGE OF RIVERDALE - NO CASH BID REQUEST

ITEM #7

REFERRED TO THE TAX DELINQUENCY SUBCOMMITTEE #295884

Transmitting a Communication from

DEBORAH SIMS, Chairman, Tax Delinquency Subcommittee

Submitting a request from

ZENOVIA G. EVANS, Village President

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of the Village of Riverdale's desire to participate in the Cook County No-Cash Bid program. The Village is interested in acquiring certain properties located within Riverdale that are delinquent in real estate taxes or special assessments for two or more years, pursuant to 35 ILCS 200/21-90.

Please accept this request to obtain the following three (3) properties.

VOLUME	PROPERTY INDEX NUMBER
195	29-04-108-019-0000
195	29-04-108-023-0000
195	29-04-108-028-0000

Parcel 29-04-108-019-0000 is a vacant industrial building. Parcel 29-04-108-023-0000 is a commercial building that is occupied by a business operating as C & R Excavating. Parcel 29-04-108-028-000 is a vacant commercial building. The Village has submitted Affidavits of Abandonment with respect to both vacant properties.

The Village intends to use each of these three buildings for industrial and commercial development. They are not part of our 138th Street Corridor Plan; however, they are adjacent to the southern border of the Plan area and have similar characteristics as those properties in the Plan area. The Village intends to develop the properties in the same spirit as the 138th Street Corridor Plan in order to expand tax revenues. Currently, there is no third-party-applicant for any of the parcels.

The Village agrees to report the status of each parcel to the Cook County Department of Economic Development annually for five consecutive years or until the intended use is complete, whichever is last. Also, the Village will apply for tax exempt status on each parcel once a tax deed is obtained until a developer is designated.

The Village has retained the Law Offices of Kenneth W. Pilota and shall bear all costs to proceed to tax deed and perform all legal and other activities associated with this program.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE

ITEM #8

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON ROADS & BRIDGES #295885

Submitting a Proposed Ordinance sponsored by

ANTHONY J. PERAICA, County Commissioner

PROPOSED ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING COOK COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIALS FROM INCLUDING THEIR NAME ON COUNTY OWNED SIGNS AND VEHICLES

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Cook County Board of Commissioners that Chapter 2 Administration, Section 2-8 of the Cook County Code is hereby enacted as follows:

PROPOSED ORDINANCE continued

ITEM #8 cont'd

Sec. 2-8. Elected officials names on County owned signs and vehicles.

(a) Elected officials shall not include their name on County owned signs or vehicles without the approval of the Board of Commissioners. Signs posted within County owned buildings or elected officials offices are exempt from this ordinance.

Effective date: This Ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

RESOLUTIONS

ITEM #9

APPROVED

Submitting a Proposed Resolution sponsored by

ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, GREGG GOSLIN, PRESIDENT TODD H. STROGER, and JOHN P. DALEY, County Commissioners

Co-Sponsored by

ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, GREGG GOSLIN, PRESIDENT TODD H. STROGER, JOHN P. DALEY, WILLIAM M. BEAVERS, JERRY BUTLER, FORREST CLAYPOOL, EARLEAN COLLINS, ROBERTO MALDONADO, JOSEPH MARIO MORENO, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, ANTHONY J. PERAICA, MIKE QUIGLEY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI and DEBORAH SIMS, County Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His Infinite Wisdom has taken from our midst Maureen Murphy, born into life on November 14, 1952, born into eternity on August 9, 2008; and

WHEREAS, Maureen was the beloved wife of Worth Township Supervisor John "Jack" Murphy, loving mother of Jason (Kelly), Shaun, Patrick (deceased), Michael and Matthew, cherished grandmother to Brennah, Mary Margaret "Maggie", John "Jack" and Nathan and beloved daughter of Joseph and Patricia Toolan and loving sister of Jolene (Vince) Churak and Michael (Kay) Toolan; and

WHEREAS, Maureen served the public with great dignity and honor as a Member of the Board of Education of the Evergreen Park High School District #231, Worth Township Clerk, Illinois State Representative, Cook County Board of Review Commissioner, Chairman of the Cook County Republican Central Committee and Worth Township Republican Committeeman; and

WHEREAS, while serving in the House of Representatives during the 89th General Assembly, Maureen was selected as the Chairman of the Revenue Committee and wrote the law creating the Cook County Board of Review; and

WHEREAS, Maureen held a deep faith in God and was a lifetime member of Queen of Martyrs Parish in Evergreen Park; and

WHEREAS, Maureen was a well respected member of her community and mentored a countless number of people getting started in public service; and

WHEREAS, Maureen's sense of family, friendship, and community are a testament to the deep caring and love she felt for others; and

WHEREAS, Maureen will be greatly missed and her family, friends, and community will truly feel the loss of her presence amongst us.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners join her family and friends in mourning the death of Maureen Murphy and in expressing their deepest and heartfelt condolences to her family; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the text of this Resolution be spread across the Journal of the Proceedings of this body and that a suitable copy hereof be tendered to the family of Maureen Murphy.

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RESOLUTIONS

ITEM #10

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION, INTERGOVERNMENTAL & VETERANS RELATIONS #295886

Submitting a Proposed Resolution sponsored by

GREGG GOSLIN, County Commissioner

Co-Sponsored by

ANTHONY J. PERAICA, County Commissioner

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION URGING COOK COUNTY TO INTRODUCE AND THE ILLINOIS GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO APPROVE LEGISLATION, MODELED AFTER H.R. 14: CONGRESSIONAL INTEGRITY AND PENSION FORFEITURE ACT OF 2007, TO AMEND THE COOK COUNTY PENSION CODE BY ADDING SPECIFIC LANGUAGE REGARDING COOK COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIALS' FORFEITURE OF PENSIONS FOR FELONY CONVICTIONS

WHEREAS, in 2007, Representative Mark Kirk introduced H.R. 14: Congressional Integrity and Pension Forfeiture Act of 2007, which outlined all of the offenses that would be reason for a Member of Congress to forfeit their pension; and

WHEREAS, even though, in the Cook County Pension Code (40 ILCS 5/9), the word "officials" is listed under the definition of "employee", the Code makes a distinction throughout between "employees" and "officials", including its title "County Employees' and Officers' Annuity and Benefit Fund - Counties Over 3,000,000 Inhabitants"; and

WHEREAS, Section 40 ILCS 5/9-235, of the Code, which requires the forfeiture of Cook County Pensions when an employee is convicted of a felony, includes Cook County elected officials; it is misleading and possibly open to dispute; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Pension Code should be strengthened to make it clear that Cook County elected officials will also forfeit their pensions if convicted of a felony; and

WHEREAS, this amendment to the Cook County Pension Code will make a statement to Cook County Taxpayers that Cook County elected officials' pledge to uphold the Constitution and laws of the United States, as well as the public trust; and

WHEREAS, taxpayers should not pay for the retirement benefits of Cook County elected officials who have been convicted of a felony.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners requests that Cook County's Springfield lobbyists draft legislation and have it introduced, in the General Assembly, to amend 40 ILCS 5/9, using H.R. 14 as a model, to make it clear that Cook County elected officials will forfeit their pension if convicted of a felony; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners urges the General Assembly to take action by passing this legislation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution shall be distributed to Governor Rod R. Blagojevich, Senate President Emil Jones, Jr., Speaker of the House Michael J. Madigan, Senate Republican Leader Frank C. Watson, House Republican Leader Tom Cross, and Members of the Illinois General Assembly from Cook County.

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RESOLUTIONS continued

ITEM #11

WITHDRAWN

Submitting a Proposed Resolution sponsored by

GREGG GOSLIN, County Commissioner

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

INITIATING PERFORMANCE-BASED BUDGETING

WHEREAS, governments across the board are continually being asked to do more with less and government officials and taxpayers continue to demand that public programs be delivered effectively and efficiently; and

WHEREAS, utilizing performance measurements as a component of performance-based budgeting is an extremely effective tool in determining how a program is accomplishing its missions, goals and objectives by measuring the delivery of products, services or processes; and

WHEREAS, the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) and the National Advisory Council on State and Local Budgeting (NACSLB) recommend all governments use performance measurement as an important component of long-term strategic planning to identify financial and program results, assess past program performance and facilitate future program service and delivery; and

WHEREAS, to incorporate performance measures in the budgeting process we must develop indicators to evaluate and monitor programs and services and integrate them into the budget framework; and

WHEREAS, past Cook County budgets have gone as far as delineating each department's mission, goals, objectives and accomplishments, all important steps in developing performance measures; and

WHEREAS, further development of balanced evaluation techniques or performance measures are necessary to convert to a performance-based budget, there are additional factors that must be explored to ensure Cook County can accommodate the budget modifications and technology requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chief Financial Officer, in conjunction with the Budget Director and the Chief Information Officer, will prepare a report examining what steps are needed so that Cook County's general ledger and budget can accommodate the necessary modifications required to integrate performance-based budgeting and whether current information technology capability can monitor program inputs, outputs, and outcomes necessary for performance measures adequately and in a timely manner; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this report be tendered to the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners by October 15, 2008.

CONSENT CALENDAR

ITEM #12

APPROVED

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM #2 WAS DEFERRED.

Pursuant to Cook County Code Section 2-108(gg) Consent Calendar, the Secretary to the Board of Commissioners hereby transmits Resolutions for your consideration. The Consent Calendar Resolutions shall be published in the Post Board Action Agenda and Journal of Proceedings as prepared by the Clerk of the Board.

There are 19 Consent Calendar items for the September 3, 2008 Board Meeting.

CONSENT CALENDAR continued

ITEM #12 cont'd

CC ITEM #1

Submitting a Resolution sponsored by

MIKE QUIGLEY, County Commissioner

RESOLUTION DECLARING SEPTEMBER TO BE HUNGER ACTION MONTH IN COOK COUNTY

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, hunger remains a pervasive problem in the United States with more than 35.5 million Americans, including 12.6 million children, living on the brink of hunger; and

WHEREAS, the latest Census Bureau statistics reveal that 796,848 people live in poverty in Cook County and thirty-seven (37%) percent of those people are children; and

WHEREAS, among other not-for-profit organizations in Cook County, the Greater Chicago Food Depository has been integral in leading the fight against hunger providing thousands of families throughout Cook County with healthy meals; and

WHEREAS, today, nearly half a million individuals in Cook County rely upon food provided by the Greater Chicago Food Depository; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Chicago Food Depository distributes more than forty-six million pounds of food each year through its network of 600 food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters and Kids Cafes; and

WHEREAS, for almost three decades, the Greater Chicago Food Depository, through its various community programs, has taken the lead in serving hungry men, women and children; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Chicago Food Depository's mission is to provide food to hungry people while striving to end hunger in our community; and

WHEREAS, the more than 200 Feeding America (formerly named America's Second Harvest) food banks, including the Greater Chicago Food Depository will participate in the first-ever Hunger Action Month in September 2008; and

WHEREAS, the Food Depository has produced a "30 Ways in 30 Days" calendar that offers daily opportunities for donors, volunteers, advocates and others to get involved in September.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners, assembled here this third day of September 2008, do hereby declare the month of September to be Hunger Action Month in Cook County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Cook County residents should be encouraged to participate in Hunger Action Month by organizing a food drive, making a monetary donation or scheduling a volunteer session at the Greater Chicago Food Depository; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of the Honorable Body of the County Board and a ceremonial copy of this Resolution be presented to Ms. Katherine Maehr, Executive Director of the Greater Chicago Food Depository to commemorate this special occasion.

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CONSENT CALENDAR continued

ITEM #12 cont'd

CC ITEM #2

DEFERRED

Submitting a Proposed Resolution sponsored by

MIKE QUIGLEY, County Commissioner

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING COOK COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPUTY MICHAEL D. STONER

WHEREAS, Deputy Michael D. Stoner has served in the Cook County Sheriff's Office since February 17, 1998; and

WHEREAS, on Wednesday, July 30, 2008 he saved a 13-year-old boy from being sexually assaulted in Englewood; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Stoner was off duty, visiting a property he owns on the 2100 block of West 52nd Street in Englewood, when he spotted a boy running toward him screaming and crying; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Stoner put the boy safely in his van and ran to find the assailant, who he discovered climbing through a window and who he subsequently handcuffed and then called 911 for assistance; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Stoner is quoted as saying "thank God that I was there for this young man"; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Stoner is currently stationed at the Daley Center, and according to his supervisors has "gone about quietly doing his job well here for 10 years".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby extend its greatest gratitude and appreciation to Deputy Michael D. Stoner for his outstanding act of heroism; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does herby recognize and appreciate not only this instance of bravery, but Deputy Stoner's longer career of excellence at the Cook County Sheriff's Office; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be entered into the official proceedings of this Honorable Body and that a suitable copy of same be tendered to Deputy Michael D. Stoner.

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CC ITEM #3

Submitting a Resolution ponsored by

JOSEPH MARIO MORENO and ROBERTO MALDONADO, County Commissioners

Co-Sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, PRESIDENT, WILLIAM M. BEAVERS, JERRY BUTLER, FORREST CLAYPOOL, EARLEAN COLLINS, JOHN P. DALEY, ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, GREGG GOSLIN, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, ANTHONY J. PERAICA, MIKE QUIGLEY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE AND LARRY SUFFREDIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

CONSENT CALENDAR continued

ITEM #12 cont'd

CC ITEM #3 cont'd

RESOLUTION

CELEBRATING MEXICAN INDEPENDENCE DAY

WHEREAS, National Hispanic Heritage Month is a celebration of Hispanic pride and culture, recognizing the achievements of Hispanic individuals who by hard work and sacrifice have distinguished themselves through their careers and public service; and

WHEREAS, National Hispanic Heritage Month, created by Public Law 90-498, approved September 17, 1968, by the 90th Congress and later amended in 1988 by the 100th Congress, authorizes the designation of National Hispanic Heritage Month as the 31-day period beginning September 15th and ending on October 15th; and

WHEREAS, shortly before dawn on September 16, 1810, Miguel Hidalgo y Costilla urged the exploited and embittered Mexicans to recover the lands that were stolen from their forefathers, thus starting a fight to overthrow the authority of Spain over Mexico; and

WHEREAS, it is on the night of September 15, that Mexicans all over the world celebrate Hidalgo's passionate declaration, in following with the traditions of their birth land, by shouting "Mexicanos, Viva Mexico"; and

WHEREAS, the courage and sacrifice for freedom demonstrated by Hidalgo and other freedom fighters has been an inspiration to all Mexicans and people throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, in the spirit of Father Hidalgo and other freedom fighters, the Mexican-American community has fought for social justice throughout Cook County and the United States; and

WHEREAS, over 70% of Hispanics living in Cook County are of Mexican decent; and

WHEREAS, Cook County's Mexican-American community has made numerous cultural and economic contributions to the growth and development of our county.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the more than five million residents of Cook County, does hereby proclaim September 16, 2008, to be Mexican Independence Day in Cook County, in recognition of the contributions that the Mexican community has made throughout the County of Cook, and urge all Cook County residents to join in this celebration of their culture and heritage; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body.

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CC ITEM #4

Submitting a Resolution sponsored by

GREGG GOSLIN, County Commissioner

Co-Sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, PRESIDENT AND WILLIAM M. BEAVERS, JERRY BUTLER, FORREST CLAYPOOL, EARLEAN COLLINS, JOHN P. DALEY, ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, ROBERTO MALDONADO, JOSEPH MARIO MORENO, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, ANTHONY J. PERAICA, MIKE QUIGLEY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE and LARRY SUFFREDIN, County Commissioners

CONSENT CALENDAR continued

ITEM #12 cont'd

CC ITEM #4 cont'd

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION HONORING GLENVIEW SENIOR CENTER AND DIRECTOR JOYCE POTTINGER ON THEIR 50TH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, the Senior Club was started in 1958, when the Park District Superintendent assigned staffer Joyce Rieger (Pottinger) to organize some activities for seniors; and

WHEREAS, Senior Center Director Joyce Pottinger now celebrates her 50th anniversary with the Senior Center as well, representing a level of commitment unparalleled in virtually any other profession; and

WHEREAS, the Senior Club, founded by Joyce Pottinger with 13 members in 1958, today has grown to an impressive membership of over 1500; and

WHEREAS, active and varied programs are now offered in the new Senior Center, opened at the Glenview Park Center in January 2001; and

WHEREAS, the Senior Center serves as an important resource for recreational opportunities, health education and social services; and

WHEREAS, honors include being recognized twice with a Governor's Home Town Award, as well as earning prestigious accreditation from the Institute of Senior Centers; and

WHEREAS, the Senior Center gives back to the community in many ways, including helping to provide park district scholarships to children in need through the local Food Pantry; and

WHEREAS the Senior Club continues its tradition of volunteer efforts with intergenerational programs such as "Pack for Iraq" in collaboration with local Girl Scout and Boy Scout troops; and

WHEREAS, its energetic members have been interested and active with Cook County programs over the years through presentations, events and special programs at the Botanic Garden.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners is proud to recognize the Glenview Senior Center and Joyce Pottinger for their 50 years of making a difference; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that suitable copy of this Resolution be tendered to Joyce Pottinger and the Glenview Senior Center to commemorate this auspicious occasion.

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CC ITEM #5

Submitting a Resolution sponsored by

JOHN P. DALEY, County Commissioner and TODD H. STROGER, President

Co-Sponsored by

WILLIAM M. BEAVERS, JERRY BUTLER, FORREST CLAYPOOL, EARLEAN COLLINS, ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, GREGG GOSLIN, ROBERTO MALDONADO, JOSEPH MARIO MORENO, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, ANTHONY J. PERAICA, MIKE QUIGLEY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE and LARRY SUFFREDIN, County Commissioners

CONSENT CALENDAR continued

ITEM #12 cont'd

CC ITEM #5 cont'd

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His Infinite Wisdom has called Patrick J. Salmon from our midst; and

WHEREAS, Patrick J. Salmon was the beloved husband of Dolores Salmon (nee Pabian); and

WHEREAS, Patrick J. Salmon was the cherished father of Maureen (Michael) Rafalin and Christine (Paul) McCormick; and

WHEREAS, Patrick J. Salmon was the adoring grandfather of Nicole, Ashley, Patrick, Sean, and Bridget; and

WHEREAS, Patrick J. Salmon was the proud son of the late Philip and LaVerne Salmon; and

WHEREAS, Patrick J. Salmon was the fond brother of the late Mary (Charles) Mikalauski and Phyllis (Simon) DeChristopher; and

WHEREAS, Patrick J. Salmon bravely answered the call of his country and defended the cause of freedom during the Korean Conflict, where he served with courage and honor; and

WHEREAS, Patrick J. Salmon was the President of the Back of the Yards Neighborhood Council, and his legacy will live on for many years in the numerous improvements to the community that were brought about with his hard work and tireless advocacy; and

WHEREAS, all who knew him will attest that Patrick J. Salmon was a kind and compassionate man, virtuous of character and gentle in spirit, admired and respected by his many friends and neighbors, and dearly loved by his family.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Cook County that the Board does hereby offer its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family and many friends of Patrick J. Salmon, and joins them in sorrow at this time of loss; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and a suitable copy of same be tendered to the family of Patrick J. Salmon, that his memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

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CC ITEM #6

Submitting a Resolution sponsored by

JOHN P. DALEY, COUNTY COMMISSIONER, TODD H. STROGER, PRESIDENT and ANTHONY J. PERAICA, County Commissioner

Co-Sponsored by

WILLIAM M. BEAVERS, JERRY BUTLER, FORREST CLAYPOOL, EARLEAN COLLINS, ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, GREGG GOSLIN, ROBERTO MALDONADO, JOSEPH MARIO MORENO, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, MIKE QUIGLEY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE and LARRY SUFFREDIN, County Commissioners

CONSENT CALENDAR continued

ITEM #12 cont'd

CC ITEM #6 cont'd

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, for a century, the Croatian community has celebrated their dedication to Our Lady of Sinj (Velika Gospa) annually on August 15, as an expression of faith and a reaffirmation of cultural and ethnic ties to the homeland; and

WHEREAS, St. Jerome Croatian Catholic Church is the site of a venerated shrine, dedicated to Our Lady of Sinj, and is the frequent gathering place for members of the Society of Our Lady of Sinj; and

WHEREAS, the parish community has a strong religious, cultural, and social background with a variety of ethnic groups contributing to its rich history, and the Croatian American community in particular takes great pride in its long heritage at St. Jerome Croatian Catholic Church; and

WHEREAS, St. Jerome Parish was founded in 1912, and since that time the commemoration of Velika Gospa has been celebrated as an annual tradition by thousands of parish families; and

WHEREAS, one such family is the Perisin family, lead by Nick and Catherine Perisin, who along with their seven children and eighteen grandchildren, have long been active and valued members of St. Jerome Parish; and

WHEREAS, Nick and Catherine Perisin were honored by the parish for their outstanding contributions to St. Jerome Croatian Catholic Church by bestowing upon them the prestigious title of "Grand Marshalls" of the 2008 Velika Gospa festival; and

WHEREAS, Nick and Catherine Perisin are truly deserving of this great honor; and

WHEREAS, the Croatian Festival of Velika Gospa is prominent among Chicago's longest running ethnic celebrations, and is the largest Croatian Festival of its kind in the Midwest.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Cook County that the Board does hereby extend its congratulations to Nick and Catherine Perisin on the joyous occasion of their service as Grand Marshalls at the Celebration of Velika Gospa, on August 15, 2008; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and an official copy of same be presented to Nick and Catherine Perisin to commemorate this significant milestone in the legacy of the Perisin family.

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CC ITEM #7

Submitting a Resolution sponsored by

ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, County Commissioner

Co-Sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, PRESIDENT, WILLIAM M. BEAVERS, JERRY BUTLER, FORREST CLAYPOOL, EARLEAN COLLINS, JOHN P. DALEY, GREGG GOSLIN, ROBERTO MALDONADO, JOSEPH MARIO MORENO, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, ANTHONY J. PERAICA, MIKE QUIGLEY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE and LARRY SUFFREDIN, County Commissioners

CONSENT CALENDAR continued

ITEM #12 cont'd

CC ITEM #7 cont'd

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Almighty God in his infinite wisdom has taken from our midst Dr. William D. Towne, born into life on August 29, 1939, born into eternity on July 27, 2008; and

WHEREAS, William was the beloved husband of Mary, loving father of William, Patrick, Michael, Jerry, Brian, Daniel, Catherine (Gergits), and James and cherished grandfather to Alexandria, Lauren, Taylor, Connor, Samantha, William, Elizabeth, Madeline and Michael; and

WHEREAS, William graduated from Mount Carmel High School and later attended Loyola University where he received his pre-medical degree and later received his medical degree from Loyola University's Stritch School of Medicine; and

WHEREAS, William served his residency at Cook County Hospital and then enlisted in the United States Navy where he became a Lieutenant Commander and flight surgeon; and

WHEREAS, William was appointed Chief of Cardiology at Cook County Hospital in 1973 and was the youngest physician to ever be appointed to that post and was later appointed to the position of Chief of the medical staff; and

WHEREAS, William was later hired as the Chief of Cardiology at Columbus Hospital and also served as a clinical associate professor at Northwestern Medical School; and

WHEREAS, William was a well respected member of the medical field being termed an "expert on physical diagnosis with regards to the heart"; and

WHEREAS, William will be greatly missed and his family, friends, and community will truly feel the loss of his presence amongst us.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners join his family and friends in mourning the death of Dr. William D. Towne and in expressing their deepest and heartfelt condolences to his family; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the text of this Resolution be spread across the Journal of Proceedings of this body and that a suitable copy hereof be tendered to the family of Dr. William D. Towne.

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CC ITEM #8

Submitting a Resolution sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, President, County Board of Commissioners

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His Infinite Wisdom has called a man of immense talent and generosity of spirit, Elder Dr. Samson C. Musoni, from our midst; and

WHEREAS, born in Zimbabwe, Elder Dr. Musoni was an internationally recognized grief counselor and crisis intervention trainer; he worked with people in crisis around the world, including Mozambique, Kosovo and Southern Africa; additionally, Elder Dr. Samson did crisis interventions in the 9/11 Terrorist Attacks, the Tsunami 2004 Disaster, the Columbine Shooting and the Oklahoma City Bombing; and

WHEREAS, Elder Dr. Musoni was the founding President of World Crisis Intervention Network, Inc., a not-for-profit professional agency affiliated with the Center for Inner City Studies at Northeastern Illinois University, wherein he did extensive work with the Chicago Public School System; and

CONSENT CALENDAR continued

ITEM #12 cont'd

CC ITEM #8 cont'd

WHEREAS, Elder Dr. Musoni was exceedingly distinguished educationally; in addition to having a PhD in psychology, Elder Dr. Musoni had a law degree from the University of London in England, a Doctorate of Divinity from Indiana College of Divinity, a graduate diploma in Community Mental Health from Melbourne University in Australia and postdoctoral diplomas in crisis intervention psychology and grief psychology from Harvard University; and

WHEREAS, Elder Dr. Musoni was devoted to his church, the Progressive Community Church, where he was an ordained minister and associate pastor; the many duties he took upon himself included chairman of the Department of Missions, teaching pastor of candidates for ordination, clinical director of the counseling ministries, director of Noahs' Ark Prison Ministries and administration director of the Progressive Institute for Biblical Studies and Leadership Formation; and

WHEREAS, Elder Dr. Musoni is survived by his wife, Mary, and three children; and

WHEREAS, in losing Elder Dr. Samson C. Musoni, we have lost an exceedingly compassionate, gifted and spiritual man who will be deeply missed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the more than five million residents of Cook County, does hereby express its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family as well as to the many friends and loved ones of Elder Dr. Samson C. Musoni; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be tendered to the family of Elder Dr. Samson C. Musoni so that his rich legacy may be so honored and ever cherished.

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CC ITEM #9

Submitting a Resolution sponsored by

ROBERTO MALDONADO, County Commissioner

Co-Sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, PRESIDENT, WILLIAM M. BEAVERS, JERRY BUTLER, FORREST CLAYPOOL, EARLEAN COLLINS, JOHN P. DALEY, ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, GREGG GOSLIN, JOSEPH MARIO MORENO, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, ANTHONY J. PERAICA, MIKE QUIGLEY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE and LARRY SUFFREDIN, County Commissioners

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Puerto Rican Parade Committee of Chicago is honoring the vibrant and rich musical talent of Ramon Souchet, Viti Santiago, Gilberto Diaz, and Callito Diaz on Sunday, September 7, 2008 at an official celebration of local Hispanic bands and orchestras at La Casa Puertorriquena; and

WHEREAS, founded 43 years ago, the Puerto Rican Parade Committee of Chicago has organized numerous events and festivals featuring legendary and emerging musical artists that draw a record number of attendees from throughout Cook County and across the nation; and

WHEREAS, these events not only highlight the unique cultural offerings of the Hispanic community, but also unite the artistic community with business owners and community leaders, and merging talents from all walks of life for a common cause; and

CONSENT CALENDAR continued

ITEM #12 cont'd

CC ITEM #9 cont'd

WHEREAS, following last year's first-ever, highly successful celebration of local musical artists, the Puerto Rican Parade Committee has now made it an official event, continuing the tradition to awaken the hearts and souls of Cook County residents to the lively music of talented Hispanic musicians.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the more than five million residents of Cook County, do hereby offer congratulations to the Puerto Rican Parade Committee of Chicago, its President, Miguel "Mikey" Sanchez, and its Board of Directors on its annual event honoring local Hispanic bands and orchestras; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body and that an official copy of same be tendered to the President and Board of Directors of the Puerto Rican Parade Committee of Chicago.

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CC ITEM #10

Submitting a Resolution sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, PRESIDENT and WILLIAM M. BEAVERS, County Commissioner

Co-Sponsored by

JERRY BUTLER, FORREST CLAYPOOL, EARLEAN COLLINS, JOHN P. DALEY, ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, GREGG GOSLIN, ROBERTO MALDONADO, JOSEPH MARIO MORENO, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, ANTHONY J. PERAICA, MIKE QUIGLEY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE and LARRY SUFFREDIN, County Commissioners

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on Saturday, September 6, 2008, one of the most exciting and highly anticipated annual sports events, the Chicago Football Classic, will take place at Soldier Field; and

WHEREAS, this year's game will match West Virginia State University against Central State University; and

WHEREAS, the Classic is much more than a sports event; it provides a unique opportunity for potential students to learn much more about the programs and options available at historically black colleges and universities; and

WHEREAS, the organizers of the Classic are to be applauded for banding together to bring this exciting exhibition game to our great city; and

WHEREAS, the proceeds will benefit promising students in need of scholarship assistance; in addition, a portion of the proceeds from the Chicago Football Classic will benefit the Walter Payton Foundation; and

WHEREAS, the Classic truly is a "classic" event where alumni, families and all interested in rigorous and spirited athletic competition will be treated to a spectacle of grand proportions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Todd H. Stroger, on behalf of all of its citizens, do hereby congratulate the Chicago Football Classic for its 11th Annual Event in Cook County and urge all sports lovers to consider attending this thrilling, family oriented event.

CONSENT CALENDAR continued

ITEM #12 cont'd

CC ITEM #11

Submitting a Resolution sponsored by

LARRY SUFFREDIN, County Commissioner

Co-Sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, PRESIDENT, WILLIAM M. BEAVERS, JERRY BUTLER, FORREST CLAYPOOL, EARLEAN COLLINS, JOHN P. DALEY, ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, GREGG GOSLIN, ROBERTO MALDONADO, JOSEPH MARIO MORENO, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, ANTHONY J. PERAICA, MIKE QUIGLEY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS and ROBERT B. STEELE, County Commissioners

RESOLUTION

HONORING NASA ON ITS 50TH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), is celebrating its 50th anniversary during 2008; and

WHEREAS, on October 10, 2008, the City of Chicago will host one of seven NASA Future Forums to celebrate the agency's anniversary and inform the public about its future; and

WHEREAS, NASA was established by President Dwight D. Eisenhower on July 29, 1958; and

WHEREAS, NASA sent the first American, Alan Shepard, into space on May 5, 1961, as part of Project Mercury, and later sent the first American into orbit, John Glenn, on February 20, 1962; and

WHEREAS, on May 25, 1961, President John F. Kennedy issued the challenge to land a man on the moon by the end of the decade, and NASA responded with the Gemini and Apollo programs; and

WHEREAS, on July 20, 1969, Apollo 11 landed on the moon and Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin were the first humans to walk on that desolate surface; and

WHEREAS, through the Apollo Program, NASA gave to the world the first image of the planet Earth in its entirety, and showed it to be a delicate blue orb in an empty sea of space; and

WHEREAS, on April 12, 1981, NASA successfully launched the Space Shuttle Columbia, bringing the agency and the nation into a new era of manned space flight; and

WHEREAS, NASA is a partner in the International Space Station (ISS), which continues its history of international cooperation among nations that began with the Apollo-Soyuz mission of 1975; and

WHEREAS, NASA has experienced success in unmanned space exploration, including the Voyager program for studying our neighbors in the solar system and beyond, the Hubble Space Telescope, and the Phoenix Mars Mission, which recently found evidence of water on the red planet; and

WHEREAS, in addition to space exploration, NASA has produced vital data related to the environment and changing climate of the Earth; and

WHEREAS, for fifty years, NASA has opened the eyes and engaged the imagination of countless people throughout the world, producing some of the most amazing and inspiring images of the heavens, be it the birth and death of far-off stars, the colorful wonder of distant nebulae, or the barren red face of our planet's neighbor.

CONSENT CALENDAR continued

ITEM #12 cont'd

CC ITEM #11 cont'd

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Cook County does hereby offer NASA congratulations on its 50th anniversary and thanks it for its contributions to science and humanity; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioner of Cook County does hereby wish NASA success in its future missions as it takes mankind's understanding of the universe to new limits; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body and that an official copy of same be tendered to Michael Griffin, NASA Administrator, to honor this auspicious celebration.

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CC ITEM #12

Submitting a Resolution sponsored by

LARRY SUFFREDIN, County Commissioner

Co-Sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, PRESIDENT, WILLIAM M. BEAVERS, JERRY BUTLER, FORREST CLAYPOOL, EARLEAN COLLINS, JOHN P. DALEY, ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, GREGG GOSLIN, ROBERTO MALDONADO, JOSEPH MARIO MORENO, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, ANTHONY J. PERAICA, MIKE QUIGLEY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS and ROBERT B. STEELE, County Commissioners

RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING CYNTHIA D. HARRIS ON HER RETIREMENT

WHEREAS, Cynthia Harris retired as Director of Social Services for the Evanston Police Department on May 30, 2008 after 26 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Cynthia Harris has served as a Victim Advocate, and as a Youth and Family Counselor for the Evanston Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Cynthia Harris is a licensed clinical professional counselor and holds national certification; and

WHEREAS, in 1997, Cynthia Harris was recognized by the Illinois Attorney General as Illinois Victim Advocate of the Year for her work providing crisis intervention, counseling, court advocacy, death notifications and co-facilitation of a homicide support group; and

WHEREAS, under the direction of Cynthia Harris, the Victim Services Program was recognized by the Illinois Attorney General as the number one police-based victim services program, and was later ranked second in the nation by the U.S. Department of Justice; and

WHEREAS, Cynthia Harris has been an active leader in the community, serving on many councils and community-based committees, including the State's Attorney's African-American Advisory Council, the Second Circuit Court District Violence Task Force, Local Area Network 40, and the Association of Police Social Workers; and

WHEREAS, prior to coming to Evanston, Cynthia Harris worked in youth residential treatment facilities, community mental health agencies and as a counselor for Temple University; and

CONSENT CALENDAR continued

ITEM #12 cont'd

CC ITEM #12 cont'd

WHEREAS, the residents of Evanston and Cook County owe a debt of gratitude to Cynthia Harris for her hard work and dedication to her job.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Cook County does hereby offer Cynthia Harris congratulations on her retirement and thanks her for her years of public service; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body and that an official copy of same be tendered to Cynthia Harris.

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CC ITEM #13

Submitting a Resolution sponsored by

LARRY SUFFREDIN, County Commissioner

Co-Sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, PRESIDENT, WILLIAM M. BEAVERS, JERRY BUTLER, FORREST CLAYPOOL, EARLEAN COLLINS, JOHN P. DALEY, ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, GREGG GOSLIN, ROBERTO MALDONADO, JOSEPH MARIO MORENO, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, ANTHONY J. PERAICA, MIKE QUIGLEY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS and ROBERT B. STEELE, County Commissioners

RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING LOWELL HUCKLEBERRY ON HIS RETIREMENT

WHEREAS, Lowell Huckleberry will retire as Director of Health for the Village of Skokie on September 5, 2008, capping a 26-year career with the Village of Skokie; and

WHEREAS, Lowell Huckleberry began his career at the Village of Skokie in September of 1982; and

WHEREAS, Lowell Huckleberry is a dedicated professional committed to improving the lives and health of the residents of the Village of Skokie; and

WHEREAS, Lowell Huckleberry helped to pass the Village of Skokie's no-smoking ordinance, the prohibition of tobacco vending machines, and was honored by the Illinois Public Health Association with their Pioneer Award for non-smoking advocacy; and

WHEREAS, Lowell Huckleberry was instrumental in the passage of the Village of Skokie's bicycle helmet ordinance and a leader in Skokie's Public Health Preparedness; and

WHEREAS, Lowell Huckleberry improved the public health of the Village of Skokie by establishing evening hours for the Village's health clinic, and provided more than 3,000 flu shots each year to Village residents; and

WHEREAS, in retirement, Lowell Huckleberry will realize his 30-year dream of retiring to Wisconsin while he's "young" and healthy; and

WHEREAS, with the retirement of Lowell Huckleberry, the Village of Skokie loses an advocate for others whose commitment improved the health and wellness of the residents of Skokie; and

CONSENT CALENDAR continued

ITEM #12 cont'd

CC ITEM #13 cont'd

WHEREAS, the residents of Skokie and Cook County owe a debt of gratitude to Lowell Huckleberry for his hard work and dedication to his job, and for his success in making Skokie such a wonderful community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Cook County does hereby offer Lowell Huckleberry congratulations on his retirement and thanks him for his years of public service; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body and that an official copy of same be tendered to Lowell Huckleberry.

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CC ITEM #14

Submitting a Resolution sponsored by

MIKE QUIGLEY and LARRY SUFFREDIN, County Commissioners

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION HONORING LOYOLA UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO FOR RECEIVING THE UNITED STATES ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION, HELP AMERICA VOTE COLLEGE PROGRAM GRANT

WHEREAS, On June 9, 2008, Loyola University of Chicago was awarded a grant in the amount of \$30,322.00 from the United States Election Assistance Commission (EAC), Help American Vote College Program; and

WHEREAS, for the Primary Election on February 5, 2008, Loyola's Division of Public Affairs worked with Cook County Clerk David Orr's office to recruit and train 150 college students to serve as equipment managers for the primary election; and

WHEREAS, equipment managers are scarce in Cook County due to the intensive training, and the vast responsibility for setting up and handling all issues involving the election equipment at their polling place; and

WHEREAS, following the success of training 150 students for the Primary Election, Loyola University submitted a grant proposal to the EAC with a commitment to secure more than 300 student poll workers for the November 4, 2008 presidential election; and

WHEREAS, in addition to training students to work as election equipment managers, the grant will help support Loyola's voter registration effort, advertise an on-campus student equipment manager recruitment contest, provide transportation to training sessions, and cover transportation expenses incurred by students on Election Day; and

WHEREAS, Loyola University will begin non-grant-funded recruitment efforts to kick off the summer, including providing information on opportunities to incoming freshmen during orientation. Formal recruitment efforts funded by the grant will begin on August 25, 2008 when all students return to campus.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Cook County Board of Commissioners, gathered here this 3rd day of September, do hereby commend Loyola University of Chicago for their commitment to encourage young voters to actively engage in the democratic process, participate in elections, and add to the number of poll workers across Cook County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be prepared and presented to Philip Hale, Vice President of the Division of Public Affairs at Loyola University.

CONSENT CALENDAR continued

ITEM #12 cont'd

CC ITEM #15

Submitting a Resolution sponsored by

LARRY SUFFREDIN, County Commissioner

Co-Sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, PRESIDENT, WILLIAM M. BEAVERS, JERRY BUTLER, FORREST CLAYPOOL, EARLEAN COLLINS, JOHN P. DALEY, ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, GREGG GOSLIN, ROBERTO MALDONADO, JOSEPH MARIO MORENO, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, ANTHONY J. PERAICA, MIKE QUIGLEY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS and ROBERT B. STEELE, County Commissioners

RESOLUTION

IN MEMORY OF ROBERT A. NOTTENBURG

WHEREAS, Robert Nottenburg passed away on August 10, 2008; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nottenburg was a retired Commander in the U.S. Navy, a veteran of World War II and the Korean Conflict, and a 26-year active member of the U.S. Naval Reserve; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nottenburg earned a Ph.D. in Educational Administration from the University of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nottenburg had a distinguished career in higher learning; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nottenburg was a tireless member of many professional organizations, including the North Shore Chapter of the Retired Officers Association and the Democratic Party of Evanston; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nottenburg served as a Cook County election judge for many years; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nottenburg was a lifelong devotee of the opera and a passionate fan of the Chicago Cubs; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nottenburg was an enthusiastic participant in the Lifelong Learning Institute at National-Louis University; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nottenburg is survived by his wife of 58 years, Marilyn, his daughters Barbara Kramer, Carol Nottenburg and Gail Nottenburg, his grandchildren Karen and Daniel Kramer, and his sister, Gladys Nathan; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nottenburg will be deeply missed and forever treasured by all who knew him and the people of Cook County owe a debt of gratitude to Robert Nottenburg for his admirable service to his country, outstanding civic involvement, and extensive contributions to the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Cook County does hereby offer its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of Robert Nottenburg and joins them in sorrow at this time of loss; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body and that an official copy of same be tendered to the family of Robert Nottenburg so that his memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

CONSENT CALENDAR continued

ITEM #12 cont'd

CC ITEM #16

Submitting a Resolution sponsored by

MIKE QUIGLEY, County Commissioner

RESOLUTION

IN MEMORY OF DEWEY HERRINGTON

WHEREAS, Dewey Herrington passed away on August 12, 2008; and

WHEREAS, Dewey Herrington was born in Kansas in 1946 and moved to Chicago in 1972; and

WHEREAS, Dewey Herrington worked at some of Chicago's best known institutions, including Playboy Magazine during the early 1970s, the Chicago Tribune, where he was a successful sales account executive into the late 1970s, and the City of Chicago, assisting the director of the Department of Revenue; and

WHEREAS, Dewey Herrington and his partner of over 35 years, Walter Kogelis, owned and operated Pass the Salt and Pepper, a gift shop at 3337 North Broadway, from 1979 to 2006; and

WHEREAS, Dewey Herrington was known as the "Mayor of Broadway" for his leadership in the Lake View community, having founded the North Broadway Merchants Association, which later merged with the Broadway Development Corporation to become the Lake View East Chamber of Commerce, and having further served the Lake View East Chamber of Commerce as a Special Service Area Commissioner; and

WHEREAS, Dewey Herrington was also an enthusiastic supporter of neighborhood organizations, charities, and events, devoting many hours each year to community meetings and activities; and

WHEREAS, Dewey Herrington was very active in the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual or Transgender (GLBT) community, participating in the Chicago Gay Men's Chorus, working on GLBT issues with the 23rd District Police Steering Committee, serving as a Pride Parade monitor for 25 years, and assisting numerous other GLBT and HIV/AIDS organizations; and

WHEREAS, Dewey Herrington is survived by his partner, Walter Kogelis, and countless family members and friends; and

WHEREAS, Dewey Herrington will be deeply missed and forever treasured by all who knew him, and the people of Cook County owe a debt of gratitude to Dewey Herrington for his extensive community service and outstanding civic involvement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Cook County does hereby offer its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of Dewey Herrington, and joins them in sorrow at this time of loss; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and that an official copy of same be tendered to the family of Dewey Herrington so that his memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

CONSENT CALENDAR continued

ITEM #12 cont'd

CC ITEM #17

Submitting a Resolution sponsored by

JOHN P. DALEY, County Commissioner and TODD H. STROGER, President

Co-Sponsored by

WILLIAM M. BEAVERS, JERRY BUTLER, FORREST CLAYPOOL, EARLEAN COLLINS, ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, GREGG GOSLIN, ROBERTO MALDONADO, JOSEPH MARIO MORENO, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, ANTHONY J. PERAICA, MIKE QUIGLEY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE and LARRY SUFFREDIN, County Commissioners

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His Infinite Wisdom has called Reverend Michael A. O'Keefe from our midst; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Michael A. O'Keefe was the devoted son of the late Sean and Bridget (nee Shannon) O'Keefe; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Michael A. O'Keefe was the dear brother of Claire Hank, Sean (Carol) O'Keefe, Brigid (the late Thomas) Dillon and Grainne (the late Michael) Ryan; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Michael A. O'Keefe was the dear cousin of the late Peter M. Shannon Family, and

WHEREAS, Reverend Michael A. O'Keefe was a Priest in the Joliet Diocese, where he faithfully served all who came to him for spiritual counsel and comfort with caring and devotion guided by the grace of God; and

WHEREAS, all who knew him will attest that Reverend Michael A. O'Keefe was a kind and compassionate man, virtuous of character and gentle in spirit, admired and respected by his parishioners, and his many friends and loved ones.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Cook County that the Board does hereby offer its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the relatives and loved ones of Reverend Michael A. O'Keefe, and joins them in sorrow at this time of loss; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and a suitable copy of same be tendered to the family of Reverend Michael A. O'Keefe, that his memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

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CC ITEM #18

Submitting a Resolution sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, President, County Board of Commissioners

Co-Sponsored by

WILLIAM M. BEAVERS, JERRY BUTLER, FORREST CLAYPOOL, EARLEAN COLLINS, JOHN P. DALEY, ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, GREGG GOSLIN, ROBERTO MALDONADO, JOSEPH MARIO MORENO, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, ANTHONY J. PERAICA, MIKE QUIGLEY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI AND DEBORAH SIMS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

CONSENT CALENDAR continued

ITEM #12 cont'd

CC ITEM #18 cont'd

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His Infinite Wisdom has called Bernie Mac from our midst; and

WHEREAS, Bernie Mac named Bernard Jeffrey McCullough at birth was a giant of comedy, witty, loud and unapologetic in the tradition of such greats as Richard Pryor; and

WHEREAS, Bernie Mac grew up on Chicago's South Side, was raised by his mother and grandparents and was performing comedy standup before the age of ten, honing his skill on CTA trains and parks before graduating to well-known haunts like the Regal Theater and the Cotton Club; and

WHEREAS, a hardworking and fearless stand-up comedian, in 1992 Bernie Mac won the Miller Lite Comedy Search and that year gained national attention through his hilarious performances on the popular late-night series *Def Comedy Jam*; and

WHEREAS, *The Bernie Mac Show*, which aired from 2001 to 2006, and which Bernie Mac starred in, was a hit with audiences and critics alike; Bernie Mac was nominated twice for Emmy and Golden Globe Awards and won four NAACP Image Awards; the series itself was honored with the prestigious Peabody Award whose judges praised it for transcending "race and class while lifting viewers with laughter, compassion and cool"; and

WHEREAS, Bernie Mac also enjoyed an extensive career in film; he brought a rare presence and both comic and dramatic abilities to such movies as *Oceans 11, Oceans 12, Ocean 13, Pride, Guess Who, Bad Santa, Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle, Friday, Get on the Bus, Transformers, Mo' Money, House Party Three,* and *The Players Club;* additionally Bernie Mac starred in both *Soul Men* which will be released this year, and *Old Dog* which is due next year; and

WHEREAS, with the death of Bernie Mac we have lost a unique, robust creative voice; and

WHEREAS, Bernie Mac is survived by his wife, Rhonda, daughter, Je'niece Childress, and granddaughter, Jasmine.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Bernie Mac's memory shall be cherished in all of the hearts of the people he touched and loved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the more than five million residents of Cook County, does hereby express its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family as well as the many friends and loved ones of Bernie Mac, and may a suitable copy of this Resolution be tendered herewith.

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CC ITEM #19

Submitting a Resolution sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, President, County Board of Commissioners

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in 1961, President John F. Kennedy ordered a study of the status of women in the United States; Eleanor Roosevelt chaired the steering committee and, as a result, commissions were established nationwide at the state, county and/or city levels to ensure that women have full participation in issues that impact their lives and to advise elected officials on these issues; and

CONSENT CALENDAR continued

ITEM #12 cont'd

CC ITEM #19 cont'd

WHEREAS, the National Association of Commissions for Women (NACW) is the only national professional association for commissions on women; the NACW serves as an educational, information and referral agency, collaborating with other national organizations to address social, economic and legal barriers to women; and

WHEREAS, Eva Mika, PhD, Research Associate, Cook County Commission on Women's Issues, recently received the distinctive honor of being named to NACW's Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Mika has distinguished herself as a committed and effective force for women's advocacy as part of the Cook County Commission on Women's Issues and we believe she will bring substantial talents to bear on this important appointed position.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Todd H. Stroger, on behalf of the more than five million residents of Cook County, do hereby recognize Eva Mika, PhD for her appointment to the Board of the National Association of Commissions for Women as well as for the commendable work she does on behalf of our County, and may a suitable copy of this Resolution be tendered herewith.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ITEM #13

DETAILED INFORMATION REGARDING COMMITTEE REPORTS IS AVAILABLE FROM THE SECRETARY TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS	
Finance	
APPROVED	
Zoning and Building	
APPROVED	
Roads and Bridges	
APPROVED	

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY AUDITOR

REPORTS

ITEM #14

RECEIVED & FILED

Transmitting a Communication, dated July 14, 2008 from

LAURA A. BURMAN, C.P.A., Cook County Auditor

submitting herewith a copy of the "Status of Audit Recommendations" report as of June 2008 with updates for the Department of Corrections - Inmate Welfare, Inmate Trust and Commissary funds.

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ITEM #15

RECEIVED & FILED

Transmitting a Communication, dated July 15, 2008 from

LAURA A. BURMAN, C.P.A., Cook County Auditor

submitting herewith a copy of the "Status of Audit Recommendations" report as of July 2008 with updates for the Juvenile Temporary Detention Center.

BUREAU OF FINANCE OFFICE OF THE PURCHASING AGENT

BID OPENING – COMMISSIONER BUTLER

ITEM #16

REFERRED TO RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS FOR REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION

Submitting for your consideration, bids which were opened under his supervision on Wednesday, August 13, 2008 at 10:00 A.M., in the County Building, Chicago, Illinois.

CONTRACTS AND BONDS

ITEM #17

APPROVED, AS AMENDED

Transmitting contracts and bonds executed by the contractors for approval and execution as requested by the Purchasing Agent.

BUREAU OF ADMINISTRATION

REPORT

ITEM #18

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL #295887

Transmitting a Communication from

MARK KILGALLON, Chief Administrative Officer, Bureau of Administration

the Bureau of Administration, Industrial Engineering, the Department of Facilities Management, and the Office of the Purchasing Agent hereby jointly submit the Cook County Bottled Water Analysis Report as required by Resolution 08-R-68 which was approved and adopted by the Board of Commissioners on February 20, 2008.

I respectfully request the opportunity to discuss this report with the Environmental Control Committee of the Board of Commissioners.

BUREAU OF ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND ZONING

WAIVER OF PERMIT FEES

ITEM #19

APPROVED

Transmitting a Communication, dated August 4, 2008 from

DONALD H. WLODARSKI, Commissioner, Department of Building and Zoning

respectfully request the granting of a No Fee Permit for the Chicago Botanic Garden for the site development for the Plant Conservation Science Center project at 1000 Lake-Cook Road, Glencoe, Illinois in Northfield Township, County Board District #13.

Permit #: 080302 Requested Waived Fee Amount (100%): \$1,822.50

This request is pursuant to the County Board's adoption of Ordinance No. 91-O-45 on September 16, 1991 that all building and zoning permit fees be waived for public entities defined as county, township, municipality, municipal corporation, school district, forest preserve district, park district, fire protection district, sanitary district, library district and all other local governmental bodies.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$1,822.50.

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ITEM #20

APPROVED

Transmitting a Communication, dated August 4, 2008 from

DONALD H. WLODARSKI, Commissioner, Department of Building and Zoning

respectfully request the granting of a No Fee Permit for the Chicago Botanic Garden for the building enclosure for the Plant Conservation Science Center project at 1000 Lake-Cook Road, Glencoe, Illinois in Northfield Township, County Board District #13.

Permit #: 080354 Requested Waived Fee Amount (100%): \$17,796.25

This request is pursuant to the County Board's adoption of Ordinance No. 91-O-45 on September 16, 1991 that all building and zoning permit fees be waived for public entities defined as county, township, municipality, municipal corporation, school district, forest preserve district, park district, fire protection district, sanitary district, library district and all other local governmental bodies.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$17,796.25.

100% WAIVED REQUESTS TO BE APPROVED:

\$19,618.75

100% WAIVED REQUESTS APPROVED FISCAL YEAR 2008 TO PRESENT:

\$280,263.48

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ITEM #21

APPROVED

Transmitting a Communication, dated August 4, 2008 from

DONALD H. WLODARSKI, Commissioner, Department of Building and Zoning

respectfully request the granting of a 10% Reduced Fee Permit for Loyola University Medical Center's remodel of the Pediatric Echo Outpatient Building 150, 2160 South First Avenue, Maywood, Illinois in Proviso Township, County Board District #16.

 Permit #:
 080793

 Total Fee Amount:
 \$502.50

 Requested Waived Fee Amount (90%):
 \$452.25

 Amount Due (10%):
 \$50.25

This request is pursuant to the County Board's adoption of Ordinance No. 91-O-45 on September 16, 1991 that all building and zoning permit fees be waived for public entities defined as county, township, municipality, municipal corporation, school district, forest preserve district, park district, fire protection district, sanitary district, library district and all other local governmental bodies.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$452.25.

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BUREAU OF ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND ZONING continued

WAIVER OF PERMIT FEES continued

ITEM #22

APPROVED

Transmitting a Communication, dated August 4, 2008 from

DONALD H. WLODARSKI, Commissioner, Department of Building and Zoning

respectfully request the granting of a 10% Reduced Fee Permit for Loyola University Medical Center's Speech Therapy Relocation Building 104, 1st floor rooms 1359A through 1359E, 2160 South First Avenue, Maywood, Illinois in Proviso Township, County Board District #16.

 Permit #:
 080817

 Total Fee Amount:
 \$3,289.88

 Requested Waived Fee Amount (90%):
 \$2,960.90

 Amount Due (10%):
 \$328.98

This request is pursuant to the County Board's adoption of Ordinance No. 91-O-45 on September 16, 1991 that all building and zoning permit fees be waived for public entities defined as county, township, municipality, municipal corporation, school district, forest preserve district, park district, fire protection district, sanitary district, library district and all other local governmental bodies.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$2,960.90.

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ITEM #23

APPROVED

Transmitting a Communication, dated August 4, 2008 from

DONALD H. WLODARSKI, Commissioner, Department of Building and Zoning

respectfully request the granting of a 10% Reduced Fee Permit for Loyola University Medical Center's interior remodel of the Patient Admitting Center, Building 1032, Rooms 1101 through 1113, 2160 South First Avenue, Maywood, Illinois in Proviso Township, County Board District #16.

 Permit #:
 080383

 Total Fee Amount:
 \$4,982.18

 Requested Waived Fee Amount (90%):
 \$4,483.97

 Amount Due (10%):
 \$498.21

This request is pursuant to the County Board's adoption of Ordinance No. 91-O-45 on September 16, 1991 that all building and zoning permit fees be waived for public entities defined as county, township, municipality, municipal corporation, school district, forest preserve district, park district, fire protection district, sanitary district, library district and all other local governmental bodies.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$4,483.97.

90% WAIVED REQUESTS TO BE APPROVED: \$7,897.12 90% WAIVED REQUESTS APPROVED FISCAL YEAR 2008 TO PRESENT: \$16,725.23

BUREAU OF ADMINISTRATION HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

CONTRACT RENEWAL

ITEM #24

APPROVED AS AMENDED

COMMISSIONER QUIGLEY VOTED "NO".

Transmitting a Communication from

RUPERT F. GRAHAM, JR., P.E., Superintendent of Highways

Re: Contract Renewal

Electrical and Mechanical Item Maintenance

Various locations in Cook County Section: 08-8EMIM-37-GM

respectfully recommend that your Honorable Body approve a renewal for one (1) year, the contract for Electrical and Mechanical Item Maintenance - 2008 known as 08-8EMIM-37-GM between Meade Electric Company, Inc., McCook, Illinois and the County of Cook.

The contract is for the maintenance of: (1) traffic signal intersections; (2) street and roadway lighting systems; (3) navigation lighting systems, bridge cathodic protection systems; (4) storm water pumping station systems; and (5) maintenance facilities electrical systems and their appurtenances, located in Cook County.

The Contractor, for specified unit prices listed under schedule of prices, shall: (1) furnish all labor and provide materials to maintain the respective installations and systems, in first class working order and operating condition at all times; (2) make permanent repairs to damaged equipment; (3) clean, repair, perform preventative maintenance, and overhaul specified equipment at stated intervals of time; (4) provide the necessary transportation for workmen, materials, and equipment used to execute the terms of the contract; (5) provide continuous maintenance and repair service, including Saturdays, Sundays and holidays to correct any malfunction of equipment or effect any temporary emergency repairs to missing, defective, displaced or damaged equipment resulting from any cause in the shortest possible time; (6) patrol and inspect the respective systems for lamp and other failures and non-operative equipment, shall replace electric lamps in all systems as required; and (7) execute specialty items for unit prices as directed by the engineer, and perform all activities required in the amount of \$1,971,556.00.

The contract was competitively bid on August 9, 2007 with two (2) contractors submitting proposals. Award of the contract was approved by the County Board on September 6, 2007. The contract included a provision that allowed the County to renew the contract for an additional year at the same unit prices if the County was satisfied with their performance and quality of work.

Therefore, this renewal recommendation is made pursuant to the provision in Article V, Duration of Contract, Extension on page 323 of the current contract which expires on December 31, 2008.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$1,971,556.00. Contract period: January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009. Motor Fuel Tax Fund (600-600 Account).

Approval of this item would commit Fiscal Year 2009 funds.

AGREEMENT

ITEM #25

APPROVED

Submitting for your approval TWO (2) AGREEMENT RESOLUTIONS:

1. Highway Authority Agreement with a Supplemental Agreement between the County of Cook and Shell Oil Products US

Kedzie Avenue (CH W46) at 183rd Street (3200 West 183rd Street)

in the Village of Hazel Crest in County Board District #5

Fiscal Impact: None

AGREEMENT continued

ITEM #25 cont'd

2. Design Engineering Agreement between the County of Cook and the City of Chicago

Design engineering services for a resurfacing improvement

Ashland Avenue,

Lake Street to Cortland Street

in the City of Chicago in County Board Districts #1, 8 and 12

Section: 08-W4829-03-EG Centerline Mileage: 2.13 miles

Fiscal Impact: \$290,000.00 from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund (600-600 Account)

SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT

ITEM #26

APPROVED

COMMISSIONER QUIGLEY VOTED "NO".

Submitting for your approval ONE (1) SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT RESOLUTION:

1. Letter of Supplemental Agreement between the County of Cook and Graef, Anhalt, Schloemer & Associates, Inc.

Additional Part B Engineering Services

Potter Road,

Dempster Street to Evanston-Elgin (Golf) Road

in the Cities of Des Plaines, Park Ridge and unincorporated Maine Township in County Board

Districts #9 and 17

Section: 85-W8140-01-RP

Fiscal Impact: \$280,819.73 from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund (600-600 Account)

 Board approved amount 07-12-05:
 \$376,790.94

 Increase requested:
 280,819.73

 Adjusted amount:
 \$657,610.67

Previously, your Honorable Body approved an Agreement on July 12, 2005 with the aforesaid consultant in the amount of \$376,790.94 as part of the Potter Road from Dempster Street to Evanston-Elgin (Golf) Road improvement (Section: 85-W8140-01-RP). This supplement is for additional engineering services required to complete tasks that were requested by this department, including local municipalities and regulatory agencies, but were not included in the original contract and is in the amount of \$280,819.73.

SUPPLEMENTAL IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION

ITEM #27

APPROVED

Submitting for your approval ONE (1) SUPPLEMENTAL IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION:

1. Motor Fuel Tax Project

Supplemental Improvement Resolution

Full depth concrete patching of the existing pavement and bridge deck and joint repairs, etc.

Ridgeland Avenue,

135th Street to Calumet Sag Road

in the City of Palos Heights and unincorporated Worth Township in County Board Districts #6 and 17

Section: 01-W3713-02-RP Centerline Mileage: 1.71 miles

Fiscal Impact: \$211,000.00 from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund (600-600 Account)

Original Board approved amount 02-06-01: \$1,750,000.00 This increase requested: 211,000.00 Adjusted amount: \$1,961,000.00

On February 6, 2001, your Honorable Body approved an Improvement Resolution appropriating \$1,750,000.00 towards completion of this roadway patching project. Additional funding is required due to expansion of the improvement scope to include bituminous resurfacing of Kedzie Avenue at 146th Street, concrete median removal and replacement along Kedzie Avenue at Mallard Drive, repairs on the Crawford Avenue Bridge over the Cal-Sag Channel, grating replacement along 137th Street at Midlothian Creek, installation of an ornamental fence along Kedzie Avenue at 139th Street and detector loop replacement.

COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION RESOLUTIONS

ITEM #28

APPROVED

Submitting for your approval THREE (3) COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION APPROVAL RESOLUTIONS:

1. Completion of Construction Approval Resolution

Ridgeland Avenue,

Cal Sag Road to Southwest Highway

in the City of Palos Heights and the Villages of Alsip, Chicago Ridge and Worth in County Board

Districts #6 and 17

Section: 06-W3714-05-RP Final Cost: \$2,562,777.28

2. Completion of Construction Approval Resolution

123rd Street,

Cicero Avenue to Kedzie Avenue

in the Village of Alsip in County Board District #6

Section: 01-B7528-05-PV Final Cost: \$9,840,857.82

3. Completion of Construction Approval Resolution

Central Avenue,

Sauk Trail to Lincoln Highway

in the Villages of Matteson and Richton Park in County Board Districts #5 and 6

Section: 06-W3902-04-RS Final Cost: \$695,395.85

CONTRACTS AND BONDS

ITEM #29

APPROVED

Submitting Contracts and Bonds properly executed by the Contractors.

CHANGE IN PLANS AND EXTRA WORK

ITEM #30

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON ROADS & BRIDGES

Submitting twelve (12) changes in plans and extra work:

1. Section: 06-W2509-05-FP. 104th Avenue, 167th Street to 159th Street in the Village of Orland Park and the Forest Preserve District of Cook County in County Board District #17. Adjustment of quantities. \$62,272.05 (Addition).

#295888

2. Section: 04-A7322-03-FP. Group 1-2008: Walters Avenue, Waukegan Road to Lee Road; and Lee Road, Walters Avenue to Dundee Road in the Village of Northbrook in County Board District #14. Adjustment of quantities and new items. \$143,172.20 (Addition).

#295889

CHANGE IN PLANS AND EXTRA WORK continued

ITEM #30 cont'd

3. Section: 07-B6528-01-RS. Flossmoor Road, Cicero Avenue to Kedzie Avenue in the City of Country Club Hills and the Village of Flossmoor in County Board District #5. Adjustment of quantities and a new item. \$35,178.65 (Deduction).

#295890

4. Section: 07-W3726-02-RS. Group 4-2007: Ridgeland Avenue, 26th Street to Roosevelt Road; and Barrypoint (Long Common) Road over the Des Plaines River in the City of Berwyn and the Village of Riverside in County Board District #16. Adjustment of quantities and a new item. \$238.00 (Addition).

#295891

5. Section: 02-W2222-01-FP. Wolf Road, Plainfield Road to 55th Street in the Villages of Indian Head Park, Western Springs and unincorporated Cook County in County Board Districts #16 and 17. Adjustment of quantities and new items. \$52,298.90 (Deduction).

#295892

6. Section: 04-W3013-02-RS. 86th Avenue, 131st to Calumet Sag Road in the Village of Palos Park and unincorporated Cook County in County Board District #17. Adjustment of quantities. \$49,127.86 (Addition).

#295893

7. Section: 05-B5620-04-FP. 153rd Street, Wolf Road to 100th Avenue in the Village of Orland Park and unincorporated Cook County in County Board District #17. Adjustment of quantities and new items. \$1,000,443.84 (Deduction).

#295894

8. Section: 02-A8626-02-FP. Howard Street, New Gross Point Road/Tierney Drive to the Edens Expressway West Frontage Road in the Villages of Niles and Skokie in County Board District #13. Adjustment of quantities and a new item. \$373.76 (Deduction).

#295895

9. Section: 06-B6530-02-RS. Group 1-2006: Flossmoor Road, Kedzie Avenue to Western Avenue; Vollmer Road, Kedzie Avenue to Dixie Highway in the City of Chicago Heights, the Villages of Flossmoor, Olympia Fields and unincorporated Cook County in County Board Districts #5 and 6. Adjustment of quantities and new items. \$429,501.56 (Deduction).

#295896

10. Section: 03-W5809-03-FP. Cottage Grove Avenue, 167th Street (170th Street) to 159th Street (US Route 6) in the Village of South Holland in County Board Districts #4 and 6. Adjustment of quantities and new items. \$52,141.17 (Deduction).

#295897

11. Section: 01-W3016-02-FP. 88th/86th Avenue, 111th Street to 103rd Street in the Village of Palos Hills, unincorporated Cook County and the Forest Preserve District of Cook County in County Board District #17. Adjustment of quantities. \$103,507.00 (Deduction).

#295898

12. Section: 98-W5812-03-PV. Cottage Grove Avenue, Lincoln Avenue to 138th Street in the Village of Dolton in County Board Districts #4 and 6. Adjustment of quantities and new items. \$16,175.04 (Deduction).

#295899

REPORTS

ITEM #31

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON ROADS & BRIDGES #295900

Submitting the Bureau of Construction's Progress Report for the month ending June 30, 2008.

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ITEM #32

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON ROADS & BRIDGES #295901

Submitting the Bureau of Construction's Progress Report for the month ending July 31, 2008.

BUREAU OF ADMINISTRATION OFFICE OF THE MEDICAL EXAMINER

PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE

ITEM #33

APPROVED

Transmitting a Communication from

DAVID W. FOLEY, Executive Director, Office of the Medical Examiner

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to advertise for bids for janitorial service.

Contract period: November 25, 2008 through November 24, 2010. (259-235 Account). Requisition No. 82590056.

Approval of this item would commit Fiscal Year 2009 and future year funds.

BUREAU OF TECHNOLOGY

PROPOSED CONTRACTS

ITEM #34

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & AUTOMATION #295902

Transmitting a Communication from

ANTONIO HYLTON, Chief Information Officer, Bureau of Technology

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to enter into a contract with Appriss, Inc., Louisville, Kentucky, for maintenance and support services of the Automated Victim Information and Notification system (VINE).

Reason:

Appriss, Inc. is the manufacturer of the software mandated and used by government agencies within the State of Illinois. Software maintenance and support services are needed for the existing automated victim witness notification system. In compliance with Section 8.5 of the Rights of Crime Victims and Witnesses Act (725 ILCS 10/8.5 West 2000), Cook County is required to have a notification system in place to inform crime victims and witnesses regarding release from custody or transfer activity of persons held in custody.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$786,000.00 (\$262,000.00 per year). Contract period: August 1, 2008 through July 31, 2011. (009-260 Account). Requisition No. 80090015.

Approval of this item would commit Fiscal Year 2008 and future year funds.

Vendor has met the Minority and Women Business Enterprise Ordinance.

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ITEM #35

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & AUTOMATION #295903

Transmitting a Communication from

ANTONIO HYLTON, Chief Information Officer, Bureau of Technology

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to enter into a contract with Cisco Systems, Inc., Chicago, Illinois, for the purchase of network infrastructure hardware and software used to connect authorized locations to the Cook County Wide Area Network (WAN) to continue the Cook County Jail Campus Communications infrastructure build out.

Reason:

The scope of work places data communications hardware in the remaining 10 jail divisions and the administrative/court building. Once completed, high speed data can be transmitted and received between buildings within the jail campus and the Cook County enterprise network. It will also support high speed wireless communications access on the campus.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$1,500,000.00. Contract period: October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009. (717/009-579 Account). Requisition No. 80090017.

Sufficient funds have been appropriated to cover this request.

Vendor has met the Minority and Women Business Enterprise Ordinance.

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BUREAU OF TECHNOLOGY

PROPOSED CONTRACTS continued

ITEM #36

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & AUTOMATION #295904

Transmitting a Communication from

ANTONIO HYLTON, Chief Information Officer, Bureau of Technology

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to enter into a contract with Cisco Systems, Inc., Chicago, Illinois, for the purchase of network infrastructure hardware and software used to connect authorized locations to the Cook County Wide Area Network (WAN) for all the remaining Commissioners' District offices.

Reason: This will reduce telecommunications and computing operating costs. This additional capacity will also allow the ability to install public safety video surveillance cameras as required.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$238,450.00. Contract period: October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009. (717/009-579 Account). Requisition No. 80090018.

Sufficient funds have been appropriated to cover this request.

Vendor has met the Minority and Women Business Enterprise Ordinance.

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ITEM #37

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & AUTOMATION #295905

Transmitting a Communication from

ANTONIO HYLTON, Chief Information Officer, Bureau of Technology

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to enter into a contract with Cisco Systems, Inc., Chicago, Illinois, for the purchase of network infrastructure hardware and software used to connect authorized locations to the Cook County Wide Area Network (WAN) to replenish depleted inventory of spare network equipment.

Reason:

This equipment will be used to upgrade, install and in some cases replace older equipment at all regional courthouses, upgrade the Juvenile Temporary Detention Center's data hardware infrastructure and expand capacity to multiple locations that currently experience network congestion.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$2,500,000.00. Contract period: October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009. (717/009-579 Account). Requisition No. 80090019.

Sufficient funds have been appropriated to cover this request.

Vendor has met the Minority and Women Business Enterprise Ordinance.

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BUREAU OF TECHNOLOGY

PROPOSED CONTRACTS continued

ITEM #38

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & AUTOMATION #295906

Transmitting a Communication from

ANTONIO HYLTON, Chief Information Officer, Bureau of Technology

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to enter into a contract with Merrick & Company, Aurora, Colorado, for Light Detection and Ranging (LIDAR) and topographic services including ground control, LIDAR, digital terrain modeling, topographic, and a geodatabase system.

Reason:

After the completion of a Request for Proposal (RFP) process for the selection of a company to perform LIDAR and topographic services, Merrick & Company is being recommended based on its ability to meet all technical specifications at the lowest cost of all proposers. The RFP was for services to create county wide digital elevation products. These products will be used to support the creation of a new topographic database for inclusion in the County's enterprise Geographical Information System (GIS). Moreover, these products and services will result in a higher resolution and more accurate database that support current and proposed applications for public access, land records management, planimetric mapping, infrastructure management, engineering, map production, and various land data analyses.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$826,949.16 (FY 2008: \$383,385.45; FY 2009: \$433,148.25; and FY 2010: \$10,415.46). Contract period: October 1, 2008 through January 31, 2010. (545-441 Account). Requisition No. 85450033.

Sufficient funds are available in the Geographic Information Systems Fund.

Vendor has met the Minority and Women Business Enterprise Ordinance.

BUREAU OF TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT OF OFFICE TECHNOLOGY

PROPOSED CONTRACT ADDENDUM

ITEM #39

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & AUTOMATION #295907

Transmitting a Communication from

ANTONIO HYLTON, Chief Information Officer, Bureau of Technology

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to extend for seven (7) months, Contract No. 07-41-350 with Great Arc Technologies, Inc., Chicago, Illinois, to perform application migration services for the Department of Office Technology.

Reason:

This request is necessary to expend the remaining funds on this contract. Great Arc Technologies, Inc., who was originally selected through the Request for Proposal (RFP) process, will be used to perform geodatabase enhancements to incorporate the latest archiving solution for the Geographic Information Systems (GIS) environment. Approximately \$126,236.40 remains on this contract. The expiration date of the current contract was January 31, 2008.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: None. Contract extension: February 1, 2008 through August 31, 2008.

BUREAU OF CAPITAL, PLANNING AND FACILITIES MANAGEMENT OFFICE OF CAPITAL PLANNING AND POLICY

PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE continued

ITEM #40

RATIFIED

The following item was previously approved by poll on August 22, 2008:

Transmitting a Communication, dated August 20, 2008 from

PETER N. SILVESTRI, County Commissioner

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to advertise for bids for the demolition of a structure located 2101 North Fairfield, Melrose Park, in Leyden Township in unincorporated Cook County. This property has sat in extremely sorry disrepair for a very long time and should be addressed as soon as possible.

Transmitting a Communication, dated August 18, 2008 from

BRUCE WASHINGTON, Director, Office of Capital Planning and Policy

Transmitted herewith for approval is a request for authorization for the Purchasing Agent to advertise for bids for the demolition of 2101 North Fairfield, Melrose Park, Illinois, in Leyden Township, in unincorporated Cook County. It is respectfully requested that this Honorable Body approve this request.

This project provides for demolition of a single story masonry residence and garage to Reason:

comply with a judgement order of demolition entered by the Court on May 7, 2008 in order

to abate health and safety hazards existing on the property.

Court Case: 05-M1401183 Violation: V05549

Property Index Number: 12-33-119-0000

County of Cook, a body politic and

Corporate Plantiff vs. Richard Blomberg Defendant(s)

Estimated Fiscal Impact: None. Community Development Block Grant Funds: \$25,000.00. (942-292) Account).

In accordance with Cook Code Section 2-108(B), the vote on the poll taken August 22, 2008 is as follows: 14 Yeas (Commissioners Beavers, Butler, Claypool, Daley, Doody Gorman, Goslin, Maldonado, Moreno, Murphy, Peraica, Quigley, Silvestri and Sims); and 3 Absent (Commissioners Collins, Schneider and Steele).

ITEM #41

APPROVED

Transmitting a Communication, dated August 18, 2008 from

BRUCE WASHINGTON, Director, Office of Capital Planning and Policy

Transmitted herewith for your approval is a request for authorization for the Purchasing Agent to advertise for bids for the fire alarm system testing for the Cook County Department of Corrections Campus project. It is respectfully requested that this Honorable Body approve this request.

Reason: This project provides for the testing of all fire alarm systems devices.

Bond Issue (20000 Account).

Sufficient funds have been appropriated to cover this request.

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BUREAU OF CAPITAL, PLANNING AND FACILITIES MANAGEMENT OFFICE OF CAPITAL PLANNING AND POLICY continued

PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE continued

ITEM #42

APPROVED

Transmitting a Communication, dated August 18, 2008 from

BRUCE WASHINGTON, Director, Office of Capital Planning and Policy

Transmitted herewith for your approval is a request for authorization for the Purchasing Agent to advertise for bids for the Countywide Roof Renovation Program for Fantus Clinic (Package 1), Criminal Courts Administration Building (Package 2) and Oak Forest Hospital of Cook County Powerhouse (Package 3) project. It is respectfully requested that this Honorable Body approve this request.

Reason: This project provides for partial roof repair at Fantus Clinic (Package 1), the complete tear off

and roof replacement of the Criminal Courts Administration Building (Package 2) and the complete tear off and roof replacement of the Oak Forest Hospital Powerhouse (Package 3).

Bond Issue (20000 Account).

Sufficient funds have been appropriated to cover this request.

CONTRACT

ITEM #43

APPROVED

Commissioner Murphy, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, moved to approve Agenda Items #41 through 44.

Following discussion and pursuant to Cook County Code Section 2-108(p) Division of questions, Commissioner Schneider, seconded by Commissioner Peraica, moved to divide the question for the purpose of considering Item #43 separately. **The motion to divide carried unanimously.**

Commissioner Murphy, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, moved that the County Purchasing Agent be authorized to enter into the requested contract. Commissioner Peraica called for a Roll Call, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

ROLL CALL ON MOTION TO APPROVE

Yeas: Commissioners Beavers, Butler, Collins, Daley, Maldonado, Moreno, Murphy, Sims - 8.

Nays: Commissioners Claypool, Gorman, Goslin, Peraica, Quigley, Schneider, Silvestri - 7.

Absent: Commissioners Steele and Suffredin - 2.

The motion to approve CARRIED.

Transmitting a Communication, dated August 11, 2008 from

BRUCE WASHINGTON, Director, Office of Capital Planning and Policy

transmitted herewith for your approval is a request for authorization to enter into a professional services contract with Infrastructure Engineering, Inc., Chicago, Illinois, for design and construction administration services for the parking lot and entrance control at the Hawthorne Warehouse. It is respectfully requested that this Honorable Body approve this request.

BUREAU OF CAPITAL, PLANNING AND FACILITIES MANAGEMENT OFFICE OF CAPITAL PLANNING AND POLICY continued

CONTRACT continued

ITEM #43 cont'd

Reason:

Infrastructure Engineering, Inc. was selected from the Request for Proposals (RFP) process. The project consists of resurfacing approximately 220,000 square feet of parking lot for approximately 500 parking spaces, design of security guard station with entrance control, lighting, signage, and landscaping.

This firm is being recommended as they provided the most comprehensive work plan and exhibited an excellent understanding of the project requirements. Infrastructure Engineering, Inc.'s experience along with the other firms of their team possessed a level and history of similar work that was unmatched.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$350,000.00. Bond Issue (20000 Account).

Sufficient funds have been appropriated to cover this request.

Vendor has met the Minority and Women Business Enterprise Ordinance.

CHANGE ORDER

ITEM #44

APPROVED

Transmitting a Communication, dated August 11, 2008 from

BRUCE WASHINGTON, Director, Office of Capital Planning and Policy

transmitted herewith for your approval is Change Order No. 2 which is a credit in the amount of (\$9,919.86) to the contract with Paul Borg Construction Company, Chicago, Illinois and contractor for the Clerk of the Circuit Court Mailroom & Micrographics Relocation project. It is respectfully requested that this Honorable Body approve this request.

Reason:

This change order credit is for undercabinet light fixtures that are not necessary, an unused balance of asbestos abatement allowance and costs associated with additional file cabinets and tables. No additional contract time is required.

Contract No. 07-53-502

Original Contract Sum: \$304,000.00
Total Changes to-date: 15,321.77
Adjusted Contract to-date: \$319,321.77
Amount of this Modification: (9,919.86)
Adjusted Contract Sum: \$309,401.91

Estimated Fiscal Impact: (\$9,919.86). Bond Issue (20000 Account).

BUREAU OF CAPITAL, PLANNING AND FACILITIES MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT OF FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE

ITEM #45

APPROVED

Transmitting a Communication from

JAMES D. D'AMICO, Director, Department of Facilities Management

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to advertise for bids for the purchase of three (3) annual tradesman supply contracts:

REQ. NO. DESCRIPTION

82000319 Plumbing 82000320 Filters 82000321 Lamps

Contract period: November 5, 2008 through November 4, 2009. (200-333 Account).

Approval of this item would commit Fiscal Year 2008 funds.

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM

ITEM #46

APPROVED AS AMENDED

Transmitting a Communication, dated August 11, 2008 from

MAURICE S. JONES, Director, Department of Planning and Development

Re: HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME Program)

respectfully request approval of a HOME Investment Partnership Program Loan in the amount \$3,000,000.00 to Senior Lifestyles Corporation to be used for the construction of a 90-unit independent senior rental housing complex located at 133rd Street and Ashland, Blue Island, Illinois. In addition to the HOME funds, other anticipated financing includes a first mortgage from J.P. Morgan Chase, loans from the Illinois Housing Development Authority (IHDA) HOME Program and Housing Trust Fund, a green grant from Boston Capital, equity raised through the sale of Low Income Housing Tax Credits and deferred fees to the developer. The development budget is projected to be \$19,870,063.00 of which \$2,980,509.45 accounts for 15% of the total project costs.

The terms of the HOME Program loan will be structured as a 40-year fully amortizing loan at 1%. The County will receive annual payments of \$91,028.00 in principal and interest payments subject to the availability of cash fund. HOME Program collected will be used for other HOME eligible activities.

I respectfully request approval of this project and that the Chief of the Bureau of Capital, Planning and Facilities Management, or his designee, is authorized to execute on behalf of the County of Cook, any and all documents necessary to further the project approved herein, including but not limited to the HOME Loan agreement and any modifications thereto. The approval of this loan by this Honorable Body will permit staff to issue necessary commitments to allow this project to move forward.

Fiscal Impact: None. Grant Funds: \$2,980,509.45 \$3,000,000.00. (772-298 Account).

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ITEM #47

APPROVED AS AMENDED

Transmitting a Communication, dated August 11, 2008 from

MAURICE S. JONES, Director, Department of Planning and Development

Re: HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME Program)

respectfully request approval of a HOME Investment Partnership Program Loan in the amount of \$3,250,000.00 to the IFF, Inc. formerly the Illinois Facilities Fund, to be used for the construction of a 70-unit independent senior rental housing complex located at 6404-06 Joliet Road, Countryside, Illinois. In addition to the HOME funds, other anticipated financing includes a first mortgage from Enterprise Community Investment, Inc., a trust fund mortgage from the Illinois Housing Development Authority (IHDA), a grant from the Community Memorial Fund, equity raised through the sale of Low Income Housing Tax Credits and Illinois State Donation Tax Credits and deferred fees to the developer. Lyons Township acquired the site where the property is located and has donated it to the development, that donation will allow the County to meet its 25% federal matching funds requirement. The development budget is projected to be \$14,983,842.00 of which \$3,146,606.82 accounts for 21% of the total project costs.

The terms of the HOME Program loan will be structured as a 40-year fully amortizing loan at $\frac{0\%}{1\%}$ interest. The County will receive annual principal and interest payments of \$81,250.00 to be used for other HOME eligible activities.

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM continued

ITEM #47 cont'd

I respectfully request approval of this project and that the Chief of the Bureau of Capital, Planning and Facilities Management, or his designee, is authorized to execute on behalf of the County of Cook, any and all documents necessary to further the project approved herein, including but not limited to the HOME Loan agreement and any modifications thereto. The approval of this loan by this Honorable Body will permit staff to issue necessary commitments to allow this project to move forward.

Fiscal Impact: None. Grant Funds: \$3,146,606.82 \$3,250,000.00. (772-298 Account).

RESOLUTIONS

ITEM #48

APPROVED

COMMISSIONER CLAYPOOL VOTED "PRESENT".

Transmitting a Communication, dated August 6, 2008 from

MAURICE S. JONES, Director, Department of Planning and Development

Re: Gemstone Greenleaf Avenue, LLC

Resolution Approving Class 6b Special Circumstances

respectfully submitting this Resolution regarding Gemstone Greenleaf Avenue, LLC's application for a Class 6b property tax incentive.

Gemstone Greenleaf Avenue LLC requests approval of the tax incentive based on Special Circumstances, Abandonment, under the class 6b Ordinance. This Resolution is required so that the company can complete its application to the Assessor of Cook County.

Gemstone Greenleaf Avenue, LLC's application for a Class 6b, and a Department of Planning and Development staff report have been submitted for your information.

Submitting a Proposed Resolution sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners has adopted a Real Property Assessment Classification 6b that provides an applicant a reduction in the assessment level for an industrial facility; and

WHEREAS, the County Board of Commissioners has received and reviewed an application from Gemstone Greenleaf Avenue, LCC and the Resolution No. 25-08 from Elk Grove Village, Illinois for an abandoned industrial facility, with special circumstances located at 1225-1331 Greenleaf Avenue, Elk Grove Village, Cook County, Illinois, County Board District #17, Property Index Number 08-34-202-032-0000; and

WHEREAS, Cook County has defined "abandoned property" as a buildings and other structures that, after having been vacant and unused for at least 24 months, are purchased for value by a purchaser in whom the seller has no direct financial interest; and

WHEREAS, Cook County has defined an exception to this abandoned property definition shall be, if the municipality or the Board of Commissioners, finds that special circumstances justify finding that the property is "abandoned" for purpose of Class 6b; and

RESOLUTIONS continued

ITEM #48 cont'd

WHEREAS, in the case of abandonment of less than 24 months and purchase for value by a disinterested buyer, the County may determine that special circumstances justify finding the property is deemed "abandoned"; and

WHEREAS, Class 6b requires a Resolution by the County Board validating the property is deemed "abandoned" for the purposes of Class 6b; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners has determined that the building was abandoned for 13 months at the time of purchase, and that special circumstances are present and indicate the Class 6b as necessary for the said development to occur on the subject property and currently the property lay vacant and in need of substantial rehabilitation and Gemstone Greenleaf Avenue, LLC plans to invest over \$1.7 million to refurbish both buildings and the incentive is necessary to be competitive in the marketplace to secure a tenant; and

WHEREAS, the re-occupancy will create an estimated 80 new full-time jobs and 10-15 construction jobs, and increase the tax assessment from vacant to full occupancy, thus potentially generating additional property taxes even with the incentive; and

WHEREAS, the applicant acknowledges that it must provide an affidavit to the Assessor's Office stipulating that it is in compliance with the County's Living Wage Ordinance prior to receiving the Class 6b incentive on the subject property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Board of Commissioners of the County of Cook, State of Illinois, that the President and Board of Commissioners validate the property located at 1225-1331 Greenleaf Avenue, Elk Grove Village, Cook County, Illinois, is deemed "abandoned" with special circumstances under the Class 6b; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Office of the Cook County Assessor.

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ITEM #49

APPROVED

COMMISSIONER CLAYPOOL VOTED "PRESENT".

Transmitting a Communication, dated August 6, 2008 from

MAURICE S. JONES, Director, Department of Planning and Development

Re: CenterPoint Properties

Resolution Approving Class 6b Special Circumstances

respectfully submitting this Resolution regarding CenterPoint Properties's application for a Class 6b property tax incentive.

CenterPoint Properties requests approval of the tax incentive based on Special Circumstances, Abandonment, under the Class 6b Ordinance. This Resolution is required so that the company can complete its application to the Assessor of Cook County.

CenterPoint Properties's application for a Class 6b, and a Department of Planning and Development staff report have been submitted for your information.

Submitting a Proposed Resolution sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

RESOLUTIONS continued

ITEM #49 cont'd

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners has adopted a Real Property Assessment Classification 6b that provides an applicant a reduction in the assessment level for an industrial facility; and

WHEREAS, the County Board of Commissioners has received and reviewed an application from CenterPoint Properties Trust, a Maryland real estate investment trust, Chicago Title Land Trust, as successor trustee, u/t/a dated February 17, 1994, a/k/a Trust #B8000468355, and Resolution No. 0809-R-13 from the Village of Franklin Park, Illinois for an abandoned industrial facility with special circumstances located at 11533 Franklin Avenue, Franklin Park, Cook County, Illinois, County Board District #16, Property Index Number 12-19-400-159-0000; and

WHEREAS, Cook County has defined "abandoned property" as buildings and other structures that, after having been vacant and unused for at least 24 months, are purchased for value by a purchaser in whom the seller has no direct financial interest; and

WHEREAS, Cook County has defined an exception to this abandoned property definition shall be, if the municipality or the Board of Commissioners, finds that special circumstances justify finding that the property is "abandoned" for purpose of Class 6b; and

WHEREAS, in the case of abandonment of less than 24 months and purchase for value, by a disinterested buyer Cook County may determine that special circumstances justify finding the property is deemed "abandoned"; and

WHEREAS, Class 6b requires a Resolution by the County Board validating the property is deemed "abandoned" for the purposes of Class 6b; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners has determined that the building was vacant for 2 months before purchase, and that special circumstances are present for purpose of the Class 6b; and

WHEREAS, the Resolution from the Village of Franklin Park asserts that special circumstances are necessary for the rehabilitation and occupancy of the abandoned property to occur and that the property is noticeably vacant making said property a target for clandestine, surreptitious or illicit activity and fostering a ripe environment for crime; and

WHEREAS, the re-occupancy will create 50-100 full time jobs and create 10-15 construction jobs, and increase the tax assessment from vacant to full occupancy, thus generating additional property taxes even with the incentive; and

WHEREAS, the applicant acknowledges that it must provide an affidavit to the Assessor's Office stipulating that it is in compliance with the County's Living Wage Ordinance prior to receiving the Class 6b incentive on the subject property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Board of Commissioners of the County of Cook, State of Illinois, that the President and Board of Commissioners validate the property located at 11533 Franklin Avenue, Franklin Park, Cook County, Illinois, is deemed "abandoned" with special circumstances under the Class 6b; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the Office of the Cook County Assessor.

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RESOLUTIONS continued

ITEM #50

APPROVED

COMMISSIONER CLAYPOOL VOTED "PRESENT".

Transmitting a Communication, dated August 6, 2008 from

MAURICE S. JONES, Director, Department of Planning and Development

Re: ProLogis

Resolution Approving Class 6b Special Circumstances

respectfully submitting this Resolution regarding ProLogis's application for a Class 6b property tax incentive.

ProLogis requests approval of the tax incentive based on Special Circumstances, Abandonment, under the Class 6b Ordinance. This Resolution is required so that the company can complete its application to the Assessor of Cook County.

ProLogis's application for a Class 6b, and a Department of Planning and Development staff report have been submitted for your information.

Submitting a Proposed Resolution sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners has adopted a Real Property Assessment Classification 6b that provides an applicant a reduction in the assessment level for an industrial facility; and

WHEREAS, the County Board of Commissioners has received and reviewed an application from Prologis, a Maryland Real Estate Trust, Chicago Title Land Trust Corporation as Trustee under Trust No. 1077600 and Resolution No. 2008-7-R-1 from the Village of Alsip, Illinois for a vacant and unused industrial facility, with special circumstances, located at 5100 West 123rd Street, Alsip, Cook County, Illinois, Cook County District #6, Property Index Numbers 24-28-400-077-0000; 24-28-400-078-0000; and 24-28-202-015-0000; and

WHEREAS, Cook County has defined "abandoned property" as a buildings and other structures that, after having been vacant and unused for at least 24 months, are purchased for value by a purchaser in whom the seller has no direct financial interest; and

WHEREAS, Cook County has defined an exception to this abandoned property definition shall be, if the municipality or the Board of Commissioners, finds that special circumstances justify finding that the property is "abandoned" for purpose of Class 6b; and

WHEREAS, special circumstances exist that the property has been vacant and unused for 24 months and has not been purchased and special circumstances justify finding the property is deemed "abandoned"; and

WHEREAS, Class 6b requires a Resolution by the County Board validating the property is deemed "abandoned" for the purposes of Class 6b; and

WHEREAS, the re-occupancy will attract jobs, and increase the tax assessment from vacant to full occupancy, thus potentially generating additional property taxes even with the incentive, and the Class 6b is needed for development to occur on the property; and

RESOLUTIONS continued

ITEM #50 cont'd

WHEREAS, the applicant acknowledges that it must provide an affidavit to the Assessor's Office stipulating that it is in compliance with the County's Living Wage Ordinance prior to receiving the Class 6b incentive on the subject property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Board of Commissioners of the County of Cook, State of Illinois, that the President and Board of Commissioners validate the property located at 5100 West 123rd Street, Alsip, Cook County, Illinois, is deemed "abandoned" with special circumstances under the Class 6b provision for abandonment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Office of the Cook County Assessor.

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ITEM #51

APPROVED AS AMENDED

COMMISSIONER CLAYPOOL VOTED "PRESENT".

Transmitting a Communication, dated August 6, 2008 from

MAURICE S. JONES, Director, Department of Planning and Development

Re: Cirjakovic, LLC

Resolution Approving Class 8 Special Circumstances

respectfully submitting this Resolution regarding Cirjakovic, LLC's application for a Class 8 property tax incentive.

Humboldt Manufacturing Company Cirjakovic, LLC requests approval of the tax incentive based on Special Circumstances, Abandonment, under the Class 8 Ordinance. This Resolution is required so that the company can complete its application to the Assessor of Cook County.

Cirjakovic, LLC's application for a Class 8, and a Department of Planning and Development staff report have been submitted for your information.

Submitting a Proposed Resolution sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners has adopted a Real Property Assessment Classification 8 that provides an applicant a reduction in the assessment level for a facility; and

WHEREAS, the County Board of Commissioners has received and reviewed an application from Cirjakovic LLC, and Resolution No. 780 of the Village of Lansing, Illinois for an abandoned facility, with special circumstances located at 1925 East 177th Street, Lansing, Cook County, Illinois, Property Index Numbers 29-25-301-055-0000; and 29-25-301-056-0000; and

WHEREAS, Cook County has defined "abandoned property" as a buildings and other structures that, after having been vacant and unused for at least 24 months, are purchased for value by a purchaser in whom the seller has no direct financial interest; and

WHEREAS, Cook County has defined an exception to this abandoned property definition shall be, if the municipality or the Board of Commissioners, finds that special circumstances justify finding that the property is "abandoned" for purpose of Class 8; and

RESOLUTIONS continued

ITEM #51 cont'd

WHEREAS, in the case of abandonment of less than 24 months and purchase for value by a disinterested buyer, the County may determine that special circumstances justify finding the property is deemed "abandoned"; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners has determined that the building was abandoned for 9 months prior to the date of purchase, and that special circumstances are present, and indicate that such existing industrial buildings are likely to be vacant for long periods unless the property receives tax incentives. The property borders the Village of Lansing and the State of Indiana which competes for such development and has resulted in the out-migration of industrial firms causing economic difficulty in attracting new development to the community; and

WHEREAS, the re-occupancy will attract jobs, and increase the tax assessment from vacant to full occupancy, thus potentially generating additional property taxes even with the incentive; and

WHEREAS, the applicant acknowledges that it must provide an affidavit to the Assessor's Office stipulating that it is in compliance with the County's Living Wage Ordinance prior to receiving the Class 8 incentive on the subject property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Board of Commissioners of the County of Cook, State of Illinois, that the President and Board of Commissioners indicate their approval for the filing of an application for a Cook County Real Estate Classification 8 incentive to Cirjakovic LLC for an abandoned facility with special circumstances located at 1925 East 177th Street, Lansing, Cook County, Illinois; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Office of the Cook County Assessor.

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ITEM #52

APPROVED

COMMISSIONER CLAYPOOL VOTED "PRESENT".

Transmitting a Communication, dated August 6, 2008 from

MAURICE S. JONES, Director, Department of Planning and Development

Re: Outsource Fleet Services, Inc.

Resolution Approving Class 6b Special Circumstances

respectfully submitting this Resolution regarding Outsource Fleet Services, Inc.'s application for a Class 6b property tax incentive.

Outsource Fleet Services, Inc. requests approval of the tax incentive based on Special Circumstances, abandonment, under the Class 6b Ordinance. This Resolution is required so that the company can complete its application to the Assessor of Cook County.

Outsource Fleet Services, Inc.'s application for a Class 6b, and a Department of Planning & Development staff report have been submitted for your information.

Submitting a Proposed Resolution sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

RESOLUTIONS continued

ITEM #52 cont'd

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners has adopted a Real Property Assessment Classification 6b that provides an applicant a reduction in the assessment level for an industrial facility; and

WHEREAS, the County Board of Commissioners has received and reviewed an application from Holden-Casewell Properties, LLC d/b/a Outsource Fleet Services, and Resolution No. 08-006 from the Village of Bedford Park, Illinois for an abandoned industrial facility with special circumstances located at 6363 West 73rd Street, Bedford Park, Cook County, Illinois, Cook County District #11, Property Index Number 19-29-100-061-0000; and

WHEREAS, Cook County has defined "abandoned property" as a buildings and other structures that, after having been vacant and unused for at least 24 months, are purchased for value by a purchaser in whom the seller has no direct financial interest; and

WHEREAS, Cook County has defined an exception to this abandoned property definition shall be, if the municipality or the Board of Commissioners, finds that special circumstances justify finding that the property is "abandoned" for purpose of Class 6b; and

WHEREAS, in the case of abandonment of less than 24 months and purchase for value by a disinterested buyer, the County may determine that special circumstances justify finding the property is deemed "abandoned"; and

WHEREAS, Class 6b requires a Resolution by the County Board validating the property is deemed "abandoned" for the purposes of Class 6b; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners has determined that the building was abandoned for 12 months at the time of purchase, and that special circumstances are present and indicate the Class 6b necessary to encourage the expansion of existing industrial facilities and the property is located in the vicinity of several vacant buildings where the Village of Bedford Park authorities have been actively marketing said area and Outsource Fleet Services has indicated to the Village of Bedford Park authorities that it will expend approximately \$1.2 million dollars to improve the Subject Property; and

WHEREAS, the re-occupancy will retain 30 full time jobs and create 30 new full time jobs along with 10-15 construction jobs, and increase the tax assessment from vacant to full occupancy, thus potentially generating additional property taxes even with the incentive; and

WHEREAS, the applicant acknowledges that it must provide an affidavit to the Assessor's Office stipulating that it is in compliance with the County's Living Wage Ordinance prior to receiving the Class 6b incentive on the subject property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Board of Commissioners of the County of Cook, State of Illinois, that the President and Board of Commissioners validate the property located at 6363 West 73rd Street, Bedford Park, Cook County, Illinois, is deemed "abandoned" with special circumstances under the Class 6b provision; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Office of the Cook County Assessor.

BUREAU OF CAPITAL, PLANNING AND FACILITIES MANAGEMENT REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT DIVISION

PUBLIC WAY LICENSE AGREEMENT

ITEM #53

APPROVED

Transmitting a Communication, dated August 11, 2008 from

RAYMOND MULDOON, Director, Real Estate Management Division

requesting approval of the Public Way License Agreement between the County of Cook, as Grantor and Enbridge Energy, as Grantee. Upon issuance of this License, Grantee shall have the authority to apply for permits in order to construct, install, replace, relocate, modify, maintain, and remove its facilities located in the public ways of Cook County.

This license is in accordance with Cook County Code Chapter 66 Road and Bridges Article 3, Public Way Regulatory Ordinance, approved by the Board of Commissioners on June 19, 2007. Details are:

Grantor: County of Cook Grantee: Enbridge Energy, LP

Term: Ten (10) Years; July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2017

Annual License Fee: \$3,375.00 per year, plus Consumer Price Index increase (if any)

Grantee has met the insurance requirements under the License Agreement.

Recommend approval.

AGREEMENT

ITEM #54

APPROVED

Transmitting a Communication, dated August 11, 2008 from

RAYMOND MULDOON, Director, Real Estate Management Division

requesting approval of the agreement covering the use of 2007 tax-roll data as well as tax-roll data for 2008 and 2009 when available, to PropertyInfo Corporation, Addison, Illinois. The Cook County offices of the Assessor, Clerk and Treasurer maintain all of the data and concur with this agreement. PropertyInfo Corporation will pay the County the total due each year in advance of receiving the data.

This lease is in accordance with Cook County Code, Section 74-34 Lease of Cook County Real Estate Tax Data.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: None. Revenue generating: \$165,044.00 (per year plus Consumer Price Index increase (if any).

Approval is recommended.

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BUREAU OF CAPITAL, PLANNING AND FACILITIES MANAGEMENT REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT DIVISION continued

PUBLIC WAY LICENSE AGREEMENTS

ITEM #55

APPROVED

Transmitting a Communication, dated August 11, 2008 from

RAYMOND MULDOON, Director, Real Estate Management Division

requesting approval of the Public Way License Agreement between the County of Cook, as Grantor and Sprint Communications Company, as Grantee. Upon issuance of this License, Grantee shall have the authority to apply for permits in order to construct, install, replace, relocate, modify, maintain, and remove its facilities located in the public ways of Cook County.

This license is in accordance with Cook County Code Chapter 66 Road and Bridges, Article 3, Public Way Regulatory Ordinance, approved by the Board of Commissioners on June 19, 2007. Details are:

Grantor: County of Cook

Grantee: Sprint Communications Company, LP

Term: Ten (10) Years; July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2017

Annual License Fee: \$3,375.00 per year, plus Consumer Price Index increase (if any)

Grantee has met the insurance requirements under the License Agreement.

Recommend approval.

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ITEM #56

APPROVED

Transmitting a Communication, dated August 11, 2008 from

RAYMOND MULDOON, Director, Real Estate Management Division

requesting approval of the Public Way License Agreement between the County of Cook, as Grantor and TDS-Metrocom, as Grantee. Upon issuance of this License, Grantee shall have the authority to apply for permits in order to construct, install, replace, relocate, modify, maintain, and remove its facilities located in the public ways of Cook County.

This license is in accordance with Cook County Code Chapter 66 Road and Bridges, Article 3, Public Way Regulatory Ordinance, approved by the Board of Commissioners on June 19, 2007. Details are:

Grantor: County of Cook
Grantee: TDS-Metrocom, LLC

Term: Ten (10) Years; July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2017

Annual License Fee: \$3,375.00 per year, plus Consumer Price Index increase (if any)

Grantee has met the insurance requirements under the License Agreement.

Recommend approval.

BUREAU OF HUMAN RESOURCES

RESOLUTION

ITEM #57

APPROVED

Transmitting a Communication from

JONATHAN A. ROTHSTEIN, Acting Chief, Bureau of Human Resources

transmitting herewith is a Collective Bargaining Agreement and Wage Resolution covering Illinois Fraternal Order of Police Labor Council State's Attorney Investigation Bureau Supervisors for your consideration and approval at the September 3, 2008 Board Meeting.

Fiscal Year 2008 (4.75%):	\$ 45,305.94
Fiscal Year 2009 (2.00%):	\$ 39,527.90
	\$ 84,833.84
Minus retroactive pay previously paid (12/01/07):	(\$ <u>11,846.30)</u>
Total Estimated Cost:	\$ 72,987.54

Approval of this item would commit fiscal year 2008 and 2009 funds.

Submitting a Proposed Resolution sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, a Collective Bargaining Agreement, general salary increases and adjustments for the period November 19, 2007 through November 30, 2008, have been negotiated between the County of Cook and the following Collective Bargaining Union:

Illinois Fraternal Order of Police Labor Council, State's Attorney Investigation Bureau Supervisors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Collective Bargaining Agreement and general salary increases and adjustments be approved by the Board of Commissioners of Cook County.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF JUDGE JUDICIARY

CONTRACT ADDENDUM

ITEM #58

APPROVED

Transmitting a Communication from

TIMOTHY C. EVANS, Chief Judge, Circuit Court of Cook County

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to amend, increase by \$59,475.00 and extend for three (3) months, Contract No. 07-83-290 Rebid with Quintana Multilingual Solutions International, Inc., Chicago, Illinois, for foreign language interpretation services.

Board approved amount 09-18-07:	\$218,929.00
Previous increase approved 06-03-08:	31,700.00
This increase requested:	59,475.00
Adjusted amount:	\$310,104.00

Reason:

The increase and extension will provide time for the county to obtain and evaluate bids for the new contract. The Cook County Board authorized the Purchasing Agent to advertise for bids for the new contract at its meeting of July 1, 2008. The increase in hourly service rate is requested by the vendor due to an increase in transportation costs. The expiration date of the current contract is September 17, 2008.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$59,475.00. Contract extension: September 18, 2008 through December 17, 2008. (300-260 Account).

Approval of this item would commit Fiscal Year 2008 funds.

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

REPORT

ITEM #59

REFERRED TO THE AUDIT COMMITTEE #295908

Transmitting a Communication, dated August 18, 2008 from

DOROTHY BROWN, Clerk of the Circuit Court

submitting the Fiscal Year 2007 Independent Auditor Report, which includes the Report of Independent Accountants on Compliance and Internal Controls for the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court. Please accept this report and refer it to the Cook County Audit Committee for review.

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

ITEM #60

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES & ADMINISTRATION #295909

JOURNAL

(July 1, 2008)

DAVID ORR, Cook County Clerk presented in printed form a record of the Journal of the Proceedings of the meeting held on Tuesday, July 1, 2008.

RECONSIDERATION OF PREVIOUSLY APPROVED PAYMENTS AND AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE AS AMENDED

ITEM #61

RATIFIED

The following was previously approved by poll on August 1, 2008:

Transmitting a Communication, dated July 28, 2008 from

DAVID ORR, County Clerk

by

JOY CAROL WYKOWSKI, Deputy Clerk of the Board

requesting that a poll of the Cook County Board of Commissioners be conducted for the purpose of reconsidering and approving as amended the following items (Comm. Nos. 295004, 295012, 295066 and 295073), which were previously approved on the Finance Agenda (Pages 7, 8, 9 and 23 respectively) and in the report of the Finance Committee at the July 22, 2008 Board Meeting. The communication jackets as prepared by the Clerk of the Board were processed with incorrect money amounts.

Please note three out of the four items are reductions in the dollar amount.

The amendments are indicated by the stricken and underscored language.

COURT ORDERS JUVENILE CASES

- 295004 DOUGLAS J. RATHE, Attorney, submitting an Order of Court for payment of \$360.25 \$306.25 attorney fees for the defense of an indigent defendant, Martin Villarreal, Father, re: H. Villarreal, a minor. Indictment No. 07-JA-1007 (Juvenile Case).
- 295012 ILDIKO J. BODONI, Attorney, submitting an Order of Court for payment of \$539.75
 \$593.75 attorney fees for the defense of an indigent defendant, Charlese Mitchell, Mother, re: A. Gamble and M. Nelson, minors. Indictment Nos. 02-JA-0396 and 02-JA-0397 (Juvenile Cases).
- 295073 STEVEN SILETS, Attorney, submitting an Order of Court for payment of \$1,537.90 \$1,537.50 attorney fees for the defense of an indigent defendant, David Palmer, Father, re: D. Johnson, a minor. Indictment No. 07-JA-1086 (Juvenile Case).

BILLS AND CLAIMS

JOHNSON CONTROLS, INC., Milwaukee, Wisconsin, submitting invoice totaling \$2,396,926.00 \$2,396,920.00, 1st part payment for Contract No. 08-41-235, for Project Shield Phase III, Sections 1 and 2 of a state of the art interoperable mobile, video and data network system for first responders for the Homeland Security Public Safety Initiative, for the Judicial Advisory Council through the Homeland Security grant, for the period ending May 31, 2008 (769-570 Account). Purchase Order No. 162080, approved by County Board March 18, 2008.

In accordance with Cook County Code, Sec. 2-108(b), the vote on the poll taken August 1, 2008 of the Board of Commissioners is as follows: 15 Yeas (Commissioners Beavers, Butler, Claypool, Collins, Daley, Gorman, Goslin, Maldonado, Moreno, Murphy, Quigley, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims and Suffredin); 1 Absent (Commissioner Steele); and 1 Division (Commissioner Peraica voted "No" on Communication No. 295066).

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK continued

RECONSIDERATION OF A PREVIOUSLY APPROVED PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AND AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE AS AMENDED

ITEM #62

RECONSIDERED AND APPROVED AS AMENDED

Transmitting a Communication, dated August 13, 2008 from

DAVID ORR, County Clerk

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JOY CAROL WYKOWSKI, Deputy Clerk of the Board

requesting that the Cook County Board of Commissioners reconsider and approve as amended the following item (Comm. No. 295123), which was previously approved on the Finance Agenda (Page 33) and the report of the Finance Committee at the July 22, 2008 Board Meeting. The payout letter as submitted by the State's Attorney's Office contained an error as to the first name of the plaintiff.

The amendments are indicated by the stricken and underscored language.

PROPOSED SETTLEMENT

STATE'S ATTORNEY, Richard A. Devine, submitting communication advising the County to accept Proposed Settlement of \$2,500.00 for the release and settlement of suit regarding Brenda Debra Tripp v. Sanchez, Case No. 07-CV-3276. This matter involves an alleged constitutional tort that occurred at the Department of Corrections. The matter has been settled for the sum of \$2,500.00, which is within the grant of authority conveyed by the Cook County Board of Commissioners to the State's Attorney's Office. State's Attorney recommends payment of \$2,500.00, made payable in two (2) separate checks as follows: the first check in the amount of \$500.00 made payable to Brenda Debra Tripp; and the second check in the amount of \$2,000.00 made payable to Brenda Debra Tripp. Please forward the checks to Francis J. Catania, for transmittal.

CONTRACT

ITEM #63

APPROVED AS AMENDED

Transmitting a Communication from

DAVID ORR, County Clerk

by

CLEM BALANOFF, Deputy County Clerk

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to enter into a contract with Electro Rent Corporation dba Rush Computer Rentals, Duluth, Georgia, to supply computer hardware, software and support for Early Voting Sites in each of seven (7) elections.

Reason: A Request for Proposal (RFP) was issued for these services via the Cook County Purchasing Agent's website. Rush Computer Rental meets the requirements and has the qualifications

and experience to perform the services requested.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$251,380.00 (FY 2008: \$44,500.00; FY 2009: \$53,400.00; FY 2010: \$93,900.00; and FY 2011: \$59,580.00). Contract period: October 1, 2008 through April 30, 2011. (524-388 Account). Requisition No. 95240005.

Sufficient funds are available in the County Clerk Election Division Fund.

The Chief Information Officer has reviewed this item and concurs with this recommendation.

OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF

GRANT AWARD ADDENDUM

ITEM #64

APPROVED

Transmitting a Communication, dated July 2, 2008 from

THOMAS J. DART, Sheriff of Cook County by ALEXIS A. HERRERA, Budget Director

requesting authorization to accept a grant extension from July 1, 2008 through January 31, 2009 from the U.S. Department of Justice for technology upgrades for the courthouses.

The bids received for this project were substantially lower than originally anticipated. The U.S. Department of Justice has granted the Sheriff's Office permission to expand the scope of the original project in order to expend remaining funds. This extension will allow for this to occur.

The authorization to accept the original grant was given on September 17, 2006 by the Cook County Board of Commissioners in the amount of \$839,144.00.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: None. Funding period extension: July 1, 2008 through January 31, 2009.

The Budget Department has received all requisite documents, and determined the fiscal impact on Cook County, if any.

OFFICE OF THE STATE'S ATTORNEY

GRANT AWARD ADDENDA

ITEM #65

APPROVED

Transmitting a Communication, dated August 8, 2008 from

DENNIS MANZKE, Chief of the Administrative Services Bureau, State's Attorney's Office

requesting authorization to accept a no-cost grant extension from October 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008 from the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA) for the Cook County State's Attorney's Law Enforcement and Prosecutor Based Victim Assistance Services – Underserved Populations Program, which will enable the office to expend the entire award amount.

This grant provides funding for two (2) Spanish-speaking victim specialists and two (2) Polish-speaking victim specialists who are dedicated to the State's Attorney's Victim Witness Assistance Program.

The authorization to accept the original grant was given on November 20, 2007 by the Cook County Board of Commissioners in the amount of \$208,000.00.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: None. Funding period extension: October 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008

The Budget Department has received all requisite documents, and determined the fiscal impact on Cook County, if any.

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ITEM #66

APPROVED

Transmitting a Communication, dated August 8, 2008 from

DENNIS MANZKE, Chief of the Administrative Services Bureau, State's Attorney's Office

requesting authorization to accept a no-cost grant extension from October 1, 2008 through March 31, 2009 from the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance for the Cook County State's Attorney's Gang Homicide Initiative. This extension will enable the office to expend the entire award amount as well as accomplish all the program goals and objectives.

This grant provides funding to dedicate four (4) prosecutors and four (4) State's Attorney investigators to provide prosecutorial and investigative support to Cook County law enforcement in an effort to target investigations of both new and unsolved gang homicides that will result in the arrest and successful prosecution of offenders, and ultimately increase the rate at which gang related homicides are cleared in Cook County. Funds from this grant fully support the salaries and fringe benefits of the prosecutors and investigators as well as for two (2) part-time law clerks.

The authorization to accept the original grant was given on November 6, 2007 by the Cook County Board of Commissioners in the amount of \$1,211,731.00.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: None. Funding period extension: October 1, 2008 through March 31, 2009.

The Budget Department has received all requisite documents, and determined the fiscal impact on Cook County, if any.

OFFICE OF THE STATE'S ATTORNEY continued

GRANT AWARD RENEWAL

ITEM #67

APPROVED

Transmitting a Communication, dated August 8, 2008 from

DENNIS MANZKE, Chief of the Administrative Services Bureau, State's Attorney's Office

requesting authorization to renew a grant in the amount of \$2,560,000.00 from the Office of the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor of the State of Illinois. This sixth (6) year of funding will enable the State's Attorney's Office to maintain 42 positions in the Criminal Appeals Division, specifically 37 assistant state's attorney positions and five (5) support positions. Since 2003, the State's Attorney's Office has received funding from the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor for the purpose of staffing the Criminal Appeals Division at a level that better balances staffing between defense attorneys working on criminal appeals in Cook County and the number of assistant state's attorneys responding to those briefs.

This grant does not require a match contribution.

The authorization to accept the previous grant was given on November 6, 2007 by the Cook County Board of Commissioners in the amount of \$2,700,000.00.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: None. Grant Award: \$2,560,000.00. Funding period: July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009.

The Budget Department has received all requisite documents, and determined the fiscal impact on Cook County, if any.

PENDING LITIGATION

ITEM #68

REFERRED TO THE LITIGATION SUBCOMMITTEE

Transmitting a Communication, dated August 11, 2008 from

PATRICK T. DRISCOLL, JR., Deputy State's Attorney, Chief, Civil Actions Bureau

respectfully request permission to discuss the following cases with the Board or the appropriate committee thereof:

1. Elizabeth Badu v. County of Cook, et al., Case No. 07-L-508

#295910

2. Healy v. Cook County Sheriff, Case No. IHRC-07-668

#295911

3. <u>Judy Toney, as Special Administrator of the Estate of John Anderson, Deceased v. County of Cook, Case No. 05-L-6700 (Re-filed 01-L-4985)</u>

#295912

4. <u>Aleyamma Varghese, Individually and as Special Administrator of the Estate of George Varghese v. Cook County, et al., Case No. 08-L-2222</u>

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OFFICE OF THE STATE'S ATTORNEY continued

PENDING LITIGATION continued

ITEM #68 cont'd

5. Rutledge v. Cook County, et al., Case No. 06-CV-6214

#295914

6. McQuinn v. Cook County and County Sheriff's Police Department, Case No. 08-L-7838

#295915

7. Anderson v. Office of the Chief Judge, et al., Case No. 07-CV-2502

#295916

8. Clark v. Cook County, Case No. 07-CV-0179

#295917

9. Sudak v. Moore, et al., Case No. 07-CV-3344

#295918

10. Valente v. County of Cook, et al., Case No. 07-CV-4817

#295919

11. <u>Karen Nash, Vietta Johnson, Daniel Ivankovich v. Cook County, Aaron Hamb, Clifford Crawford, Robert Simon in Their Individual and Official Capacities</u>, Case No. 08-C-2139

#295920

12. Brown v. Cook County, Case No. 07-C-7022

#295921

13. Everett v. Cook County, Case No. 07-C-5440

#295922

14. Starling v. Cook County, Case No. 08-C-557

#295923

15. <u>Hale, William, Sartono v. Cook County Recorder of Deeds</u>, Case Nos. 07-C-1969, 07-C-3103, 07-C-3104 (consolidated)

#295924

MISCELLANEOUS

STATUS REPORT

ITEM #69

RECEIVED AND FILED

Transmitting a Communication from

WARREN L. BATTS, Chairman, Cook County Health and Hospital Systems Board

requesting to be placed on the Cook County Board of Commissioners meeting agenda of September 3, 2008 for the purpose of presenting a status report from the Cook County Health and Hospitals System.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

ITEM #70

Commissioner Silvestri, seconded by Commissioner Peraica, move to authorize Cook County to waive its right to appeal the Compliance Administrator's Notices of Determination and authorize the Cook County Comptroller to satisfy the awards as issued by the Compliance Administrator in an amount not to exceed \$3.2 million. Commissioner Sims called for a Roll Call, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

ROLL CALL ON MOTION TO APPROVE

Yeas: Commissioners Beavers, Butler, Claypool, Daley, Gorman, Goslin, Maldonado, Moreno,

Murphy, Peraica, Quigley, Schneider, Silvestri and Sims - 14.

Nays: None.

Absent: Commissioners Collins, Steele and Suffredin - 3.

The motion to approve CARRIED unanimously.

Transmitting a Communication from

TODD H. STROGER, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

respectfully requesting that the Cook County Board of Commissioners convene in Executive Session at the September 3, 2008 Cook County Board Meeting in order to address matters related to the adjudication phase of claims being administered by the Cook County Compliance Administrator, Julia Nowicki, in accordance with the Supplemental Relief Order approved by the United States District Court.

This request for a closed meeting is made pursuant to an exception to the Open Meetings Act, specifically, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11), "Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting."

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The next regularly scheduled meeting is presently set for Wednesday, September 17, 2008.